

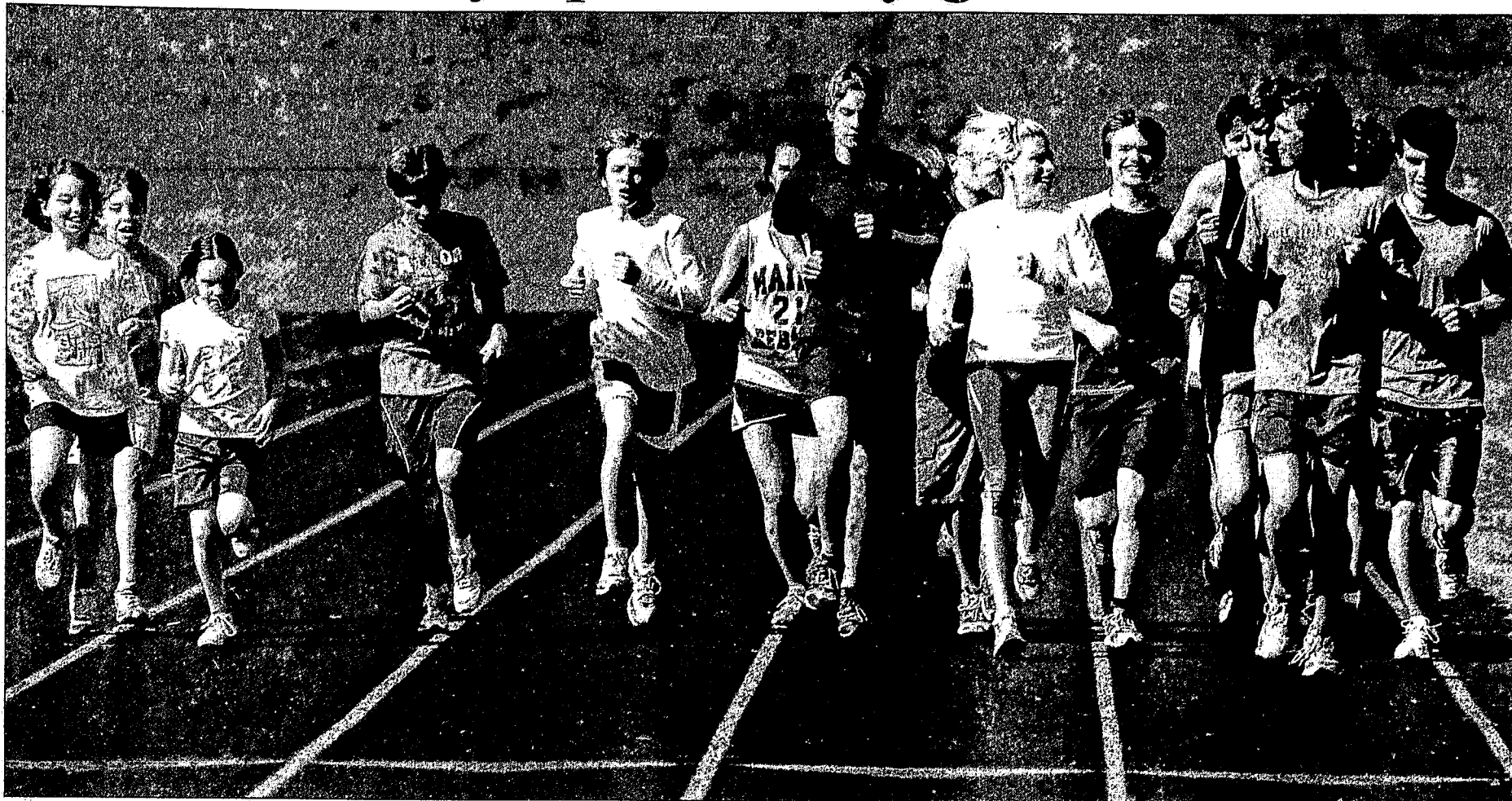
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Local Olympian finally gets to run Telstar track



Telstar High School grad Anna Willard (center), who last month competed in the steeplechase in the Beijing Olympics, returned to THS Friday for an open house held in her honor. She addressed students at an assembly, and later took to the track and the woods trails, accompanied by the current high and middle cross-country teams. Running on a track at Telstar was a first for the 2002 grad — the oval was not built until several years after she graduated. Here, she chats with THS runner Evan Fessenden. "It was great to run on the Telstar track," said Anna. "I have to be honest, I'm pretty jealous that we didn't have a track when I was at Telstar, but I do have some funny memories of doing 400-meter repeats around the parking lot. It's pretty exciting for Telstar to be able to host multiple track meets and also for the athletes to have a better training facility." Anna and her fiancé, Jon Pierce, visited her family during a training break. "I think it is finally starting to soak in that I am an Olympian," she said. She was scheduled to travel to the West Coast to continue training, with an eye to the 2012 Olympics. (Photo: A. Aloisio)

Election Day, Nov. 4, Andover will vote on selectman's recall

By ALISON ALOISIO

Andover selectmen Monday established the 2008 mill rate and set a date for a recall vote on board chairman Susan Merrow.

The mill rate will be \$10.20 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation, down from last year's \$12.50, Merrow said Tuesday.

Appropriations at this year's Town Meeting were less than last, she said.

Tax bills were expected to go out Thursday or Friday, with a due date of Oct. 31.

Recall vote set

Selectmen Trudy Akers and Donna Libby Monday set Nov. 4, Election Day, for a vote on recalling Merrow.

Last week a petition with 57

signatures calling for the vote was submitted to selectmen.

The petition was circulated by Phil Milligan, who listed three reasons for a recall: a conflict of interest, conduct unbecoming a selectman, and failure to perform duties.

Milligan was not at last week's meeting. He could not be contacted for comment until after last week's Citizen had gone to press.

Late last Wednesday, Milligan was asked to explain his reasons listed on the petition. Merrow's response follows each in italics.

Failure to perform duties

Milligan said Merrow had failed to perform her duties because the tax commitment

had not been completed on time "because she was too busy micromanaging everything in town."

I can't speak for Trudy and Donna, but I work full-time and travel out-of-state on a regular basis as part of my employment. To suggest that working to manage budgets and town business is "micro-managing" is wrong. As a taxpayer and citizen, I take all citizen complaints very seriously.

In addition, Milligan said, Merrow has not been working with the other two selectmen. He said she acts "like she's the manager and the other two are her subordinates."

Akers and Libby were elect-

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G'wood OKs trial lowering of water level

By MICHAEL DANIELS

Following a spring and summer of heavy rains, the Greenwood Board of Selectmen has agreed to commence fall drawdown of North, South and Round ponds a bit earlier than planned this year, in order to see what effect it might have on local shorelines.

The three board members voted unanimously last week to instruct dam keeper "Butch" Fuller to remove the top, three inch, flashboard from the 15-inch stack of boards on the Alder River dam in Locke Mills.

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Bethel House woman arrested for hold-up

By ALISON ALOISIO

A woman living in a Bethel House apartment on Main Street was arrested Friday for an armed robbery at the Key Bank the day before.

Nancy Baker (aka Plante), 30, was arrested Friday night at the Bethel Police Station by Maine State Police, according to jail records.

At about 8:20 a.m. last Thursday morning, as bank assistant manager Marjorie Osgood arrived for work, she was met outside the bank by a woman who said she needed money, according to police.

After several minutes of dis-

cussion in the ATM vestibule, during which the woman produced a small handgun, Osgood finally withdrew money from the machine with her own ATM card and gave it to the woman, who then fled up High Street.

No one was hurt.

Previous record

Baker had a previous record with the BPD, having been arrested for disorderly conduct, Bethel Police Chief Alan Carr said.

Carr said he and a State Police detective "had a couple of

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Report: peril, promise in emerging patterns of forestland ownership

By MICHAEL DANIELS

A recently published report looks at evolving ownership patterns in the northern forest and concludes that state governments and conservation groups need to "reexamine their toolkits," if the forests are to continue to provide recreation, clean water and economic support for local communities.

The 22-page report, "Forestland for Sale: Challenges and Opportunities for Conservation over the Next Ten Years," uses the 600,000-acre Ma-

hoosuc region of Maine and New Hampshire (map, page 3) as a case study of the impact nationwide of more than a quarter century of changing forest-ownership patterns.

The most dramatic of those changes are the virtual disappearance of industrial land ownership; and the concurrent emergence of TIMOs (Timber Investment Management Organizations) and TREITs (Timber Real Estate Investment Trusts) as major

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Stable owner sets out to raise Gypsy Vanners from her Irish homeland

By ALISON ALOISIO

Martina Harrington-DeBlois started her career in the horse world by mucking out stalls in her native Ireland.

Today she's opening her own horse farm, Harrington Stables, in Woodstock.

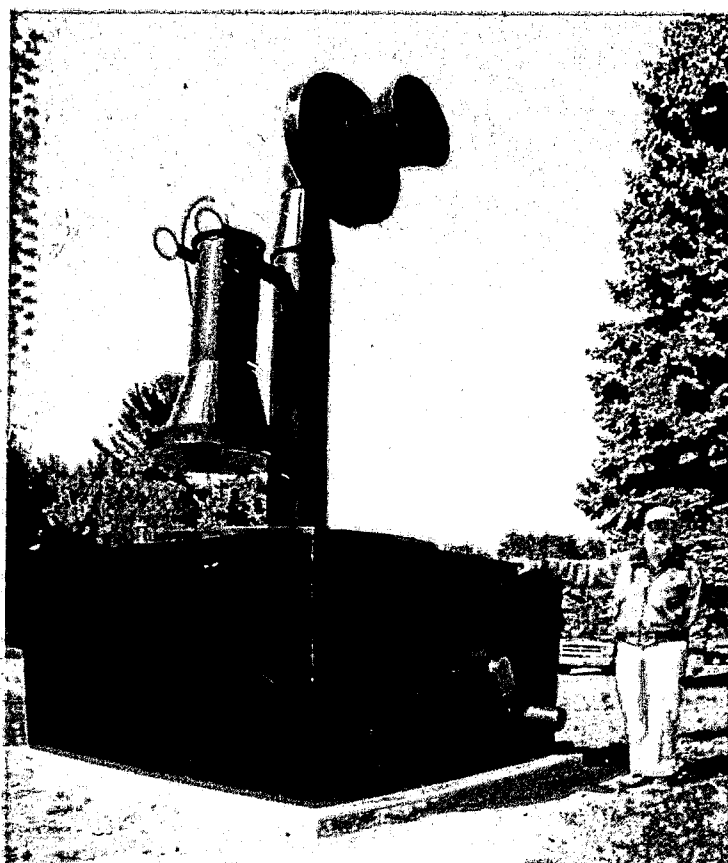
There, Martina plans to raise two breeds of horses not common in western Maine — thoroughbred racers and Gypsy Vanners.

From Ireland to New York

"I started like everybody else, mucking out stalls at 14, and worked my way up. I started riding at 15," said Martina.

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W'stock to celebrate its crank phones and library



ERNESTINE THE OPERATOR WILL NOT BE THERE, but on Columbus Day, Oct. 13, Woodstock will celebrate its distinction as the last community in the U.S. where a hand-crank telephone exchange operated. Here, Sculptor Gil Whitman stands next to his 14-foot-tall, 1.5-ton metal sculpture of a crank telephone. The sculpture is currently under wraps and will be unveiled and dedicated on the 13th. On the same day, the Whitman Memorial Library will celebrate its 100th birthday. (Photo: A. Aloisio)

By ALISON ALOISIO

On Oct. 13, Woodstock will hold a two-part celebration of town history, with the dedication of a 14-foot tall sculpture of a hand-crank telephone and a 100th birthday party for the town library.

Telephone sculpture

Sculptor Gil Whitman's creation recognizes Bryant Pond as the last community in the U.S. where a hand-crank telephone exchange operated.

The black, 1.5-ton structure was placed on a concrete pad on the common 'One ringy dingy, Two ringy ...'

It will remain covered until the dedication.

The telephone sculpture is part of a larger project, known as "Remembrance Park," that has been proposed for the common by Whitman, who is a nationally-known sculptor.

In March, he presented a plan that also includes building a two-foot high stone wall around the common's perimeter, leaving the side facing Route 26 open.

Bluestone squares would be placed on the top of the wall, to provide seating for as many as 100 people.

The wall would stand where a hedge grew for many years.

It was cut down several years ago because it became very woody.

Whitman also proposed the construction of a small gazebo on one end of the common, away from the Post Office, where musical entertainment could be staged.

To help finance the project, inscriptions on each bluestone square could be sold to individuals and businesses, Whitman said.

Town Manager Vern Maxfield said the cost of the project could be approximately \$40,000.

"Donations and gifts will be needed to see it to reality," he said.

The dedication on the common is scheduled for 10 a.m.

The telephone sculpture is the second of Whitman's to be displayed in a public place in Bryant Pond Village.

Last year he donated "Tiger Swallowtail," a butterfly sculpture that sits on the grounds of the Whitman Memorial Library.

The library is named for the sculptor's great grand-uncle Alanson Mellen Whitman,

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Letters

CONTRACT DID NOT GO TO BID

To the Editor:

I have asked the Bethel Select Board to put the contract for sludge hauling out to bid but was told the board has decided to award it to one of its own Bethel Select Board members' business.

I didn't get the bid because I didn't haul enough in to the Bethel Treatment plant.

Do you know that Bethel charges 12 cents a gallon for "Bethel" tanks to dump into the treatment plant and 22 cents if you are outside of Bethel (ex. Albany, Newry, Hanover, Greenwood)? Rumford-Mexico Treatment Plant only charges 8 cents a gallon for residents and 10 cents a gallon for outside tanks. The Paris Utility Treatment plant only charges 7.5 cents a gallon for its residents and 11 cents a gallon for outside tanks.

So I can haul a Bethel tank to Rumford and get rid of it cheaper than if I dump it at the Bethel Treatment Plant.

I do this because I don't feel it is fair to make my Bethel customers pay more for me to dump it at Bethel because it is quicker for me to get rid of it.

I was told it cost an estimated 45 cents a gallon to process the septic that is hauled into the Bethel Treatment plant by the septic haulers.

So it is costing the town more than it is earning to accept septic from septic haulers into the Bethel Treatment plant.

Douglas W. Bennett

Owner, Douglas W. Bennett & Son Septic Pumping

Editor's note: The sludge-hauling contract in question had an estimated cost of between \$3,500 and \$4,000, well below the \$10,000 threshold that requires a contract go to bid. The four selectmen who voted unanimously to award the contract to Doyon Septic Services did so largely in light of the fact that over the past three years the company has hauled more than 10 times as much waste into the Bethel plant as the second-closest hauler (Bennett), generating approximately \$30,000 in income for the facility — income that is used to hold down the rates of all the Bethel district's customers. —MRD)

ARTS COUNCIL THANKS

To the Editor:

On behalf of the Mahoosuc Arts Council, I would like to thank you for your on-going support of the Mahoosuc Arts Council through your generous donation of \$175 and your interest in being in both the Mountain Arts Guide and the Mollyockett Day 2009 Guide.

Your support allows us to further our mission of bringing quality arts programs to the schools and communities in the Bethel area. Please watch for our Mountain Arts Guide, which will provide you with information about the programs that your dollars support in both the schools and communities. We also invite you to visit our website, www.mahoosucarts.org to learn more about upcoming programs. We hope to see you at some of our events!

Once again, thank you for your on-going support of the arts in our communities.

Linda Gamble

Chair, Mahoosuc Arts Council Board

QUILT RAFFLE WINNER

To the Editor:

The lucky winner of the Bethel Library Quilt Raffle was Lynne Dillon of Stratham, N.H.

We wish to thank the Cross Country Quilters for once again making and donating the beautiful quilt.

Our thanks to all those who supported the Bethel Library by buying tickets and the following businesses for selling them: Books N Things, Bonnama Pottery, Pat's Pizza, Pooh Corner Farm, the Riverview and Bethel Outdoor Adventures.

Caroline V. Gould and Lucia Schwarz
Chairman, Bethel Library Quilt Raffle

AES FUNDRAISER THANKS

To the Editor:

On behalf of the students at Andover Elementary School and their families, I want to thank the members of the Andover community for donating over \$8,000 to pay for all hot lunches, lunch milk, snack milk, and breakfasts for the whole school year for all of our students.

I also want to thank everyone who coordinated the fundraising effort, especially Sharon Hutchins, who was instrumental in getting this project started.

It is a great feeling to be part of a community that demonstrates such overwhelming support of our students, their families and our school.

Roger Sabin

Principal, Andover Elementary School

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REMEMBERING MARY BEAN

To the Editor:

Mary Bean's recent death removes from the community one of East Bethel's greatest advocates. Mary seemed always happiest when she was back in her native place — at home in East Bethel. The East Bethel Church, the Alder River Grange hall, and the East Bethel Cemetery were also special places for her as well, so it was particularly appropriate that her memorial service was held at the Church, and she is now buried in the adjoining cemetery.

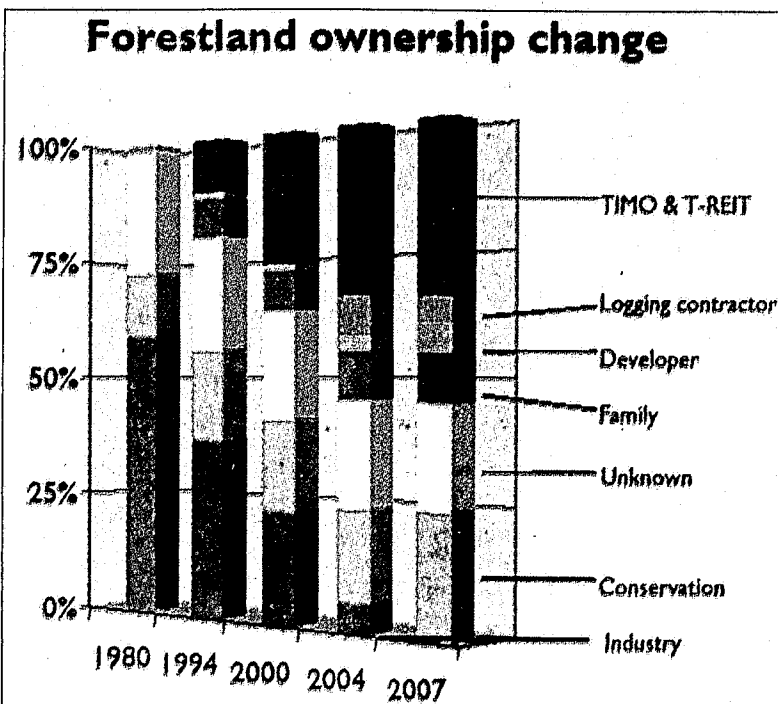
Mary always referred in conversation to East Bethel as "our town" with a sense of devotion and reverence that could not help but make a strong impression on anyone listening. She also was an "institution" at Bethel's Key Bank, where her work ethic and dedication to duty were outstanding.

I will miss seeing her in her usual place at Key Bank and exchanging with her stories of our many happy memories accumulated while growing up in "our town."

Stan Howe
Bethel

Report

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‘Without new tax incentives, stronger biomass markets or increases in public and private conservation dollars, escalating land prices will make it increasingly difficult to manage the land as forests.’

(Chart: A.M.C.)

landowners.

In 1980 approximately 60 percent of the forests in the Mahoosuc Region was owned and managed by the forest-products industry.

But by 2007 industrial ownership in the Mahoosuc region was a thing of the past (chart above), and the largest landowners were now TIMOs and T-REITs, which owned no land in the Mahoosuc in 1980 but now controlled a third of the total forest acreage.

And the changes in ownership, the report argues, have had real impact on the ground, and in the forests' human communities.

"The new managers tend to invest less in forestry research, rely on fewer employees, discourage public access, and seek to realize profits within a short time," the report says.

And, the authors argue, the changes have only begun:

"Our work predicts that the transformation is just beginning and that an additional 40,000 to 150,000 acres, up to 28 percent of the region's forestland, will be sold over the next five to ten years.

"Without new tax incentives, stronger biomass markets or increases in public and private conservation dollars, escalating land prices will make it increasingly difficult to manage the land as forests. Failing to prepare for the next wave of land sales could result in the conversion of forestland, further decline in local economies and narrowed options for responding to climate change. Public health may also suffer, as clean water, air, recreation and wildlife habitat deteriorate with the land base."

But the report also sees positive aspects to the new ownership patterns.

"The same instability that threatens the region's forests provides an immense opportunity, however: to prepare for the next wave of forest dispositions five to 10 years in advance. Maine and New Hampshire state governments, private landowners, local planning boards and conservation groups can take action to protect the public access, rural jobs, and ecosystem services that contribute to the forest-based economy in the region."

The Open Spaces report was prepared in consultation with the Mahoosuc Initiative and with funding from the Bingham Betterment Fund.

To download a copy of the report, go to: www.osiny.org/forestlandforsale.

Andover

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ed in July, replacing selectmen Hope Peterson and Jeff Rainey, who resigned in mid-term.

Since many citizens cannot afford to spend their time in the town office or at many meetings, I am unclear where one citizen makes this claim.

The board works to divide the work load equally between us, even taking turns on preparing the warrant.

This board has only been working together for two months with a late start on the assessing process. There was no data collected for tax commitment and an incomplete 2007 audit.

In the past 10 days, each of us has spent over 50 hours resolving these immediate deadlines. It is going to take more than two months to get a consistent work process and pace.

Conflict of interest
Milligan said that a statement read at last week's selectmen's meeting (see last week's Citizen), in which Merrow described her attempts to bring accountability to town finances, was "self-serving and not town business."

I don't see how making taxpayers aware of a history of annual unapproved spending over \$20,000 per year is self-serving or "conflict of interest."

As a taxpayer who thought the town was saving money for specific projects and now realizing that money is no longer there — I would think this would be a concern for everyone.

This selectboard is working to correct these errors and as a board is setting a process for better accountability.

Conduct unbecoming a selectman
Last spring Merrow's husband, Kevin Scott, challenged the accuracy of information on a FEMA grant application for funds that were approved to help purchase a new fire truck.

Milligan said Merrow "did everything in her power to go against [the grant]. That's not behavior becoming a public official," he said. "She should have been behind it 100 percent. The town voted it in, and the majority rules."

Milligan noted that after Scott's challenge, Merrow had contacted FEMA by e-mail regarding the grant.

Milligan is Fire Chief Ken Dixon's son-in-law.

FEMA eventually upheld the grant.

I was not against the fire truck grant. Many citizens, not only my husband, came to previous selectmen's meetings upset because the fire chief had misled the community on the vote at Town Meeting.

In those meetings, the previous selectboard had agreed to look into this matter and they determined that "yes, the fire chief misled the voters on the grant." This finding was printed in the paper.

I never opposed the grant and the important issue here is citizens input and integrity. I supported the grant 100 percent. I

voted at town meeting for the grant.

The real issue surrounding the complaint against me is being overlooked for convenience — the day after the grant challenge the previous board — who quit — had an illegal meeting by contacting FEMA without notifying me.

It is very disturbing that one citizen can make false claims against me while simply overlooking the facts of the previous board's conflicts and, based on Maine law, illegal actions.

The illegal meeting, which I only learned of in local newspaper, was the reason I contacted FEMA to begin with.

I acted in the best interest of the whole community when inquiring about details discussed in the meeting the previous board held without notifying me. What citizen, in fairness, will hold that against me?

Timing of petition
Of the petition effort, said Milligan, "We've been building a case since she got in there."

Merrow was elected in March. Milligan said state law requires that at least four months pass before a recall petition can be circulated. And, he said, the effort was further delayed in order to bring about the vote on Election Day, when a large turnout would be expected.

If the recall vote fails then, Milligan said, "we'll do it again in six months, per Maine Municipal Association provisions."

Woodstock

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one of the earliest settlers of Bryant Pond.

Library celebration
From 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., a celebration of the Whitman Memorial Library's 100th anniversary will take place.

A variety of activities are planned, according to volunteer organizer Rosalee Po-

land.

Among them: a Chinese Auction (ticket sale beginning at 11 a.m.); a Chinese checkers tournament for age groups 6-11, 12-15 and 16-120, with sign up at 11 and games at 11:30 a.m.; children's games from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., every half hour; an archery

demonstration at 12:30 p.m.; cutting of a birthday cake at 1 p.m.; food sale by the Fire Department and Auxiliary from 11-3; music by the Richard Felt Band from noon to 2 p.m.; and a Schwan's truck on hand from 11-3. Proceeds will go toward children's books.

Our Back Pages

Compiled by Danna Brown Nickerson

10 years ago: Gould Academy celebrated its 163rd opening day with 234 students from 21 states and 10 countries enrolled.

"Moose Trail" a quarter-mile loop behind the Evans Notch Visitors Center in Bethel was dedicated.

Gilbert Manufacturing in Locke Mills filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection.

Deaths: Philip Wayning Day, Gordon Stevens.

20 years ago: Telstar Regional High School had foreign exchange students from Japan, Germany and Spain.

The Hatch Memorial Garden and the Anderson and Bowhay athletic fields were dedicated during Gould Academy's Alumni Weekend.

The Girl Scouts of Cadette Troop 712 were raising money for a trip to National Center West in Wyoming during the summer of 1989.

Births: Linda Lee Mahär, Jillian Eve Kimball.

30 years ago: Tom Vail, Class of 1907, received the Alumnus of the Year Award during Alumni Day festivities at Gould Academy.

"The Base Camp" restaurant and lounge at Sunday River skiway was destroyed by a fire of undetermined origin.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Swan of Locke Mills were honored on their 50th wedding anniversary.

Dan Vogt finished 9th, and John Applin, 16th in the Casco Bay Marathon in Portland.

40 years ago: New faculty members at Gould Academy were Madame Jacqueline Margaritopol, teaching French and German, and Donald V. LaDieu, teaching European and Ancient history.

The harvest sale at Pleasant Valley Grange Hall was well attended. The hooked rug was awarded to Paul Head, and the one-half bushel of potatoes went to Franklin Burris.

Steady progress was being made on construction plans for Ledgeview Memorial Home in West Paris.

Births: Judy Lea Bailey, Sue Ann Fraser, Emily Gammon, Gerald S. Nowlin, Jr., Daniel Norris Myers, Donald Whitman, III.

50 years ago: A rehearsal was held at Mrs. Paul King's to organize an accordion band.

Five elm trees, 100 or more years old, were removed from the Max Zallen property at the corner of Main and Elm streets.

Pvt. E-2 Howard Gunther of Bethel had been assigned to E Company of the 1st Training Regiment at Ft. Dix.

Deaths: Herbert Duran, Nathan Sacks, Auranus M. Morrill.

60 years ago: A public meeting of the Milk Control Board was held at the Community Room. The meeting was brought about by the protest of several local dealers over the advance in the retail milk price in this area to 21 cents per quart.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rolfe and little daughter were on a three months visit to Mrs. Rolfe's parents in Rouen, France.

Central Bowling Alleys opened for the season with completely refinished surfaces.

Death: William L. Mountfort.

70 years ago: Oxford County Teachers Convention was held at Gould Academy. Three hundred teachers attended.

Montreal-Boston freight and passenger service was routed over the Grand Truck owing to the hurricane damage. Traffic was heavy.

Clarence Bennett purchased the J. M. Philbrook residence on Main Street.

Deaths: Mrs. Jennie Morgan Libby, Mrs. Bessie Kessel.

80 years ago: Clyde Brooks purchased the property owned by Mrs. Lydia Swicker on the Middle Intervale Road.

Deaths: Mrs. James L. Chase, Mrs. William Virgin.

100 years ago: Gould Academy students were working on the newly acquired athletic field.

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Briefly

Clock tower bid approved

ANDOVER—Selectmen Tuesday tentatively awarded the bid to repair the clock tower on the Town Hall to Northeast Steeplejacks of Bowdoin for approximately \$18,000. The tower, which houses a bell as well as a 99-year-old clock, has leaked in recent years and needs structural repairs. Another company had a bid within several hundred dollars of Northeast, but Brad Thibodeau, who is overseeing the project, made the recommendation for the award because the proposal is the most comprehensive, according to selectmen. Selectmen will review the status of town financial accounts designated for such work before proceeding with Northeast. Work is expected to get underway this fall, and if not completed before winter, the tower will be stabilized until the project can resume in the spring.

Motorcyclists hurt on Route 2

SHELBURNE, N.H.—Two motorcyclists were airlifted to a Maine hospital after colliding with a moose during the weekend in northern New Hampshire. State police identified them as Daniel and Carol Lavoie, both 48 and from Nashua. Police say they were driving west on Route 2 in Shelburne about 6 o'clock Saturday evening when they struck the moose. They were airlifted to Central Maine Medical Center in Lewiston, where Daniel Lavoie was in critical condition Sunday night. Carol Lavoie was listed in stable condition.

WMNF fees waived Saturday

AUGUSTA—White Mountain National Forest Participates in National Public Lands Day. The White Mountain National Forest is pleased to announce that all day-use fees will be waived on Saturday, Sept. 27. National Public Lands Day encourages citizen stewardship and visitation to lands managed by the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Interior through volunteer projects and fee free recreation opportunities. In addition to the Fee Free Day on September 27th, all day-use fees will also be waived on Sunday, September 28, 2008. This additional interagency Fee Free Day is a one-time event in honor of new citizens of the United States, as part of the interagency "This Land is Your Land" initiative kicked off on Ellis Island July 7, 2008. Fees will be waived for all visitors, not just for new Americans. Day use fees will be waived across the White Mountain National Forest. However, fees will remain in effect for overnight camping, cabin rentals, permits, reservations, and activities offered by concessionaires.

Staples Recruitment Grant

PARIS—Delta Kappa Gamma is a society of women educators. One of the goals of the society is to help recognize women in education and promote professional growth. Zeta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma will award a \$300 scholarship to one recipient this year. Applicants must be women who have completed their freshman year of college, are going into the field of teaching and come from a town in one of the following school districts, SAD17, SAD21, SAD39, SAD43, SAD44, Union 21, or the town of Peru. Applicants should submit a letter telling about their educational background, future plans, and why they feel they are deserving. The deadline for letters of application is Oct. 13. Submit letters application to Toni Hamlin, 8 Frederick Avenue, South Paris, ME 04281.

Acadia visitor numbers up

ACADIA NATIONAL PARK—Acadia National Park had 2.2 million visitors last year — an increase from 2006 but still below the highs set in the mid-1990s. According park officials, last year's visitor count was up from just under 2.1 million in 2006 and was the highest total since 2004. But it was still well below the 2.8 million people who visited the park in 1995. Acadia National park is located on Mount Desert Island in eastern Maine, with parkland also located on Schoodic Peninsula and Isle au Haut.

Ranger receives summons

TOWNSHIP 15, RANGE 10—A ranger on the Allagash Wilderness Waterway is one of two people who were issued summonses for hunting moose in closed season and for night hunting. The Department of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife says the ranger, 30-year-old Reid Caron, and 44-year-old Jess McBrearty are expected to appear in Fort Kent District Court on Dec. 19. If found guilty, the two Allagash residents face a maximum of a year in jail and a \$2,000 fine. Officials say the investigation leading to the charges was triggered by a call about a moose that was shot dead in Township 15, Range 10.

Fewer smog days in New England

BOSTON—As the 2008 summer ozone season comes to an end, the EPA confirmed that New Englanders experienced fewer poor air quality days this year, compared to 2007. Based on preliminary data collected this April through September, there were 28 days when ozone monitors in New England recorded concentrations above the health standard. By contrast, in 2007, there were 53 unhealthy ozone days. The number of unhealthy ozone days in each state this summer was: 22 days in Connecticut (compared to 42 in 2007); 18 days in Massachusetts (38 in 2007); 8 days in New Hampshire (22 in 2007); 6 days in Rhode Island (18 in 2007); 3 days in Maine (14 in 2007); 3 days in Vermont (0 days in 2007, this is an increase). This year's decrease in the number of days with unhealthy air was directly related to the decrease in the number of hot days, combined with the longer-term decline in air pollution emissions causing ozone smog. Sunlight and high temperatures speed the formation of ground-level ozone, and most areas in New England had fewer days exceeding 90 degrees this summer than last summer. In addition, this summer there were many days with heavy showers and thunderstorms that helped keep ozone levels low. Over the long-term, New England has experienced a decreasing number of unhealthy ozone days, and peak ozone concentrations have decreased significantly over the last 30 years. In 1983, New England had 113 unhealthy days, compared with 28 this summer, for a decrease of 75 percent. "When we look back to the air quality conditions a generation ago, we can feel proud of the advances we've made in reducing air pollution in New England," said Robert W. Varney, regional administrator of EPA's New England regional office. Earlier this year, EPA lowered the level of the ozone air quality health standard to 0.075 parts per million (ppm) on an 8-hour average basis. For comparison purposes, all statistics on the number of unhealthy days are presented in relation to the new standard. Exposure to elevated ozone levels can cause serious breathing problems, and aggravate asthma and other pre-existing lung diseases. Ground-level ozone is formed when volatile organic compounds and oxides of nitrogen chemically react in the presence of sunlight. Cars, trucks and buses give off the majority of the pollution that makes smog. Fossil fuel burning at electric power plants, which run at high capacities on hot days, gives off significant amounts of air pollution. Gas stations, print shops, household products like paints and cleaners, as well as gasoline-powered lawn and garden equipment, also contribute to ozone formation. EPA has taken a number of steps to further reduce air pollution. Since 2004, new cars, sport utility vehicles, pickup trucks, and mini-vans are meeting stringent new emission standards.

MERRILL HILL ESTATES RECEIVING NATIONAL ATTENTION AND WELCOME AWARD WINNING TEAM



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Twice named "Builder of the Year" by the national publication "Custom Builder Magazine", Kevin Rea, EKOS NW and Jim Rozewski, Rozewski & Co. Designers flew in from Oregon for a site inspection of Merrill Hill Estates, a 450 acre gated community located in the heart of luxury realm at Sunday River Resort. The award-winning duo whose credentials include numerous awards for custom homes and neighborhoods took a break from speaking engagements and their projects in Deschutes River Ranch near the Mount Bachelor ski area in Oregon to

catch fresh air and the fresh beginnings taking place in this area. They both agreed it reminded them of their town Bend, Oregon in the 80's. A World-class Designer Jim Rozewski was encouraged by Kevin Rea to take a closer look at the local terrain and home sites now available on Morganite and Tourmaline Way and his expectations were exceeded. "A tough decision to narrow the choice down to one lot; it is wonderful that no matter where you go in the area, Merrill Hill is this Gem in the center of it all". After a whirlwind tour it is back on a plane for Jim Rozewski, to continue work with Chang-jo Architects on SandPine Resort in Korea overlooking the Sea of Japan, leaving Kevin in charge of construction projects going on in Oregon.

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Arrest

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leads and good follow-up" that eventually "pointed to her."

State Police detective John Hainey said Wednesday that investigators encountered Baker last Thursday during an initial canvass of the neighborhood, and they interviewed her.

As time went on and more information was gathered, he said, they were led to interview her a second time.

She was cooperative, Hainey said.

He said evidence was recovered from her apartment.

Hainey said investigators believe Baker went to her apartment immediately after the robbery.

In addition to her record with the BPD, said Hainey, Baker had also "had other incidents with law enforcement," but he did not have specifics available.

As of Wednesday morning, an arraignment date had not yet been set, according to Hainey, and an official at the Oxford County Superior Court.



NANCY (PLANTE) BAKER

Lockdowns, roadblocks

After the robbery was reported shortly after 8:30 a.m. Thursday, State Police and county Sheriff's Department officers quickly converged on Bethel and assisted the BPD searching side streets.

Carr, who was nearby on Vernon Street running radar when the radio call came, was the first law enforcement officer on the scene.

Gould Academy and SAD44 schools were put on lockdown

for a time on Carr's recommendation.

At about 9 a.m. police set up roadblocks around the village area. They were discontinued later in the morning.

Several police cruisers and a State Police crime-lab vehicle were parked near the bank most of the day as the investigation was conducted.

Lockdown smooth

SAD44 Superintendent Dave Murphy said the district's lockdown procedure went well.

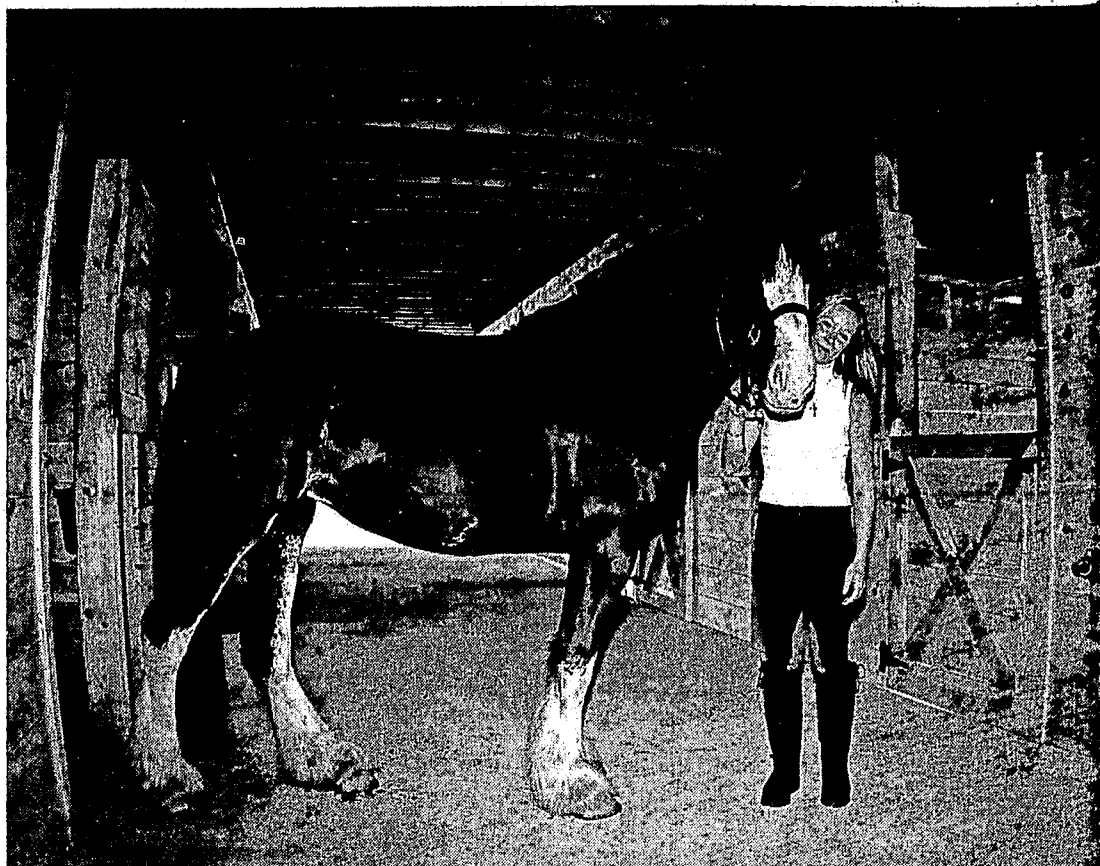
"CPS and Telstar went into lockdown as soon as they were notified by Oxford County, shortly after 9 a.m.," he said.

"WES and AES did not go into an official lockdown, but did lock all exterior doors and kept students inside as a precautionary measure. By all accounts, things went quite smoothly across the district.

"I also sent an Instant Alert message out to all parents to inform them of the day's events and to explain just what a lockdown is."

Stable

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BRITISH ISLES HORSE—Martina Harrington-DeBlois with Raven, a Gypsy Vanner she purchased recently in Idaho. For more information on the stable, call 890-1288.

(Photo: A. Aloisio)

but had several friends who were jockeys.

After a few years of work, Martina enrolled in a program that sent workers to the U.S. for the summer. She made the trip in 1998.

"I came at 18, and never went home," she said. "I always wanted to come to America — the American Dream," said Martina.

She wasn't disappointed. "I loved the lifestyle," she said.

For five years, Martina worked the eastern race-track circuit from New York to Florida. She worked as an exercise rider at New York's Belmont track for a variety of trainers — among them Billy Turner, who trained Triple Crown winner Seattle Slew.

Martina was up at 4:30 a.m. to ride, and at night worked as a bartender.

She met her future husband, Michael, in New York.

After the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks, he became the project manager for the rebuilding of the subway system at the World Trade Center.

But with plans for a family, said Martina, "we decided

we didn't want to raise kids there."

Michael, a skier, had spent happy times on the slopes at Mt. Abram in Greenwood.

"He said he always wanted to live on the other side [in the hills across from Mt. Abram]," she said.

So in 2004, the couple found 70 acres of property on Moody Mountain in Woodstock and built a house.

They built a 16-stall horse barn last year. Martina is now working on filling it with thoroughbreds and Gypsy Vanners for breeding and selling.

She has a 13-year old thoroughbred mare descended from Northern Dancer, a Kentucky Derby and Preakness winner.

"I plan to breed her and get a horse for the race track," she said.

And last month, she purchased a Gypsy Vanner mare in foal from Idaho.

Gypsy Vanners are large, docile horses that originated in the British Isles, and for which there is a growing market in the U.S., Martina said.

Currently, there are only

about 400 of the breed in this country, she said.

The horses, used originally to pull the wagons of traveling Gypsies, are versatile and can be used for both riding and work.

"The Queen [of England] used them to carry artillery in processions," said Martina.

In the spring, she'll import two more mares in foal from Ireland.

"I'd like to breed 20 horses a year," she said.

With the breeding plan underway, Martina is helping to fund it by offering riding lessons (three local children enrolled so far), training and boarding.

She also has plans to build an indoor riding arena in 2010.

Martina is now living her American dream.

"I've always wanted my own place," she said.

"As long as I can remember I have loved horses. I have never been content working at anything else in my life and consider myself very fortunate to spend every day taking care of such amazing animals."

Lakes

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"The barrier of boards helps control the water level in the ponds upstream of the dam."

"The decision to lower the water was in response to complaints from Arthur Park, owner of the Littlefield Beaches Campground, who argued the water level has been kept too high this summer, costing him business."

"Mr. Park has been in and feels the dam keeper has been too conservative and is playing it more on the Water Committee's side than his side," Town Manager Kim Sparks told the selectmen, "and that he's lost \$12,000 worth of business this summer due to having flooded campsites he can't rent out."

The Water Committee in question was formed last year, in an attempt to resolve differences over the lakes' water level.

Some shoreland owners, like Park, argued that since the dam had been repaired (and its numerous leaks plugged) in 2004, the water level had been too high.

Not only did part of their shoreland disappear, they complained, but in the winter ice wreaked havoc along the water's edge.

But when the town responded by lowering the water level, a new chorus of objections erupted, this time from property owners who thought the water level was now too low.

They complained of mudflats separating their properties from the lakes, of being forced to pull their boats through that mud to get into and out of the water, and of damage to the fragile littoral flora and fauna.

Following an August 2007 meeting, at which nearly 100 people turned out to discuss the situation, a Water Level Committee was formed and eventually decided on a compromise level of 10 inches below the top of the dam, which is 15 inches above the spillway.

The level would be maintained by the flashboards, which would be pulled out in the fall (to draw the water level down over the winter and re-

duce ice damage) and replaced in the spring (to allow the level to rise for the summer).

But no one expected the new arrangement would please all the people all the time.

"Some want it high, some want it low. You can never make everybody happy," Nancy Willard, president of the Lakes Association of Greenwood and Woodstock said at last year's meeting.

And when you throw in the unpredictability of the weather, "It's a crap shoot either way," Loretta Mikols, chairman of the Greenwood Selectmen said last week.

Last week's adjustment was a one-time attempt to fine-tune the current plan.

"It's getting to be fall, so let's take it to seven and see what it looks like," Mikols said.

Selectman Arnold Jordan — a shorefront property owner — said he would vote for the limited drawdown, but only as a test.

"I certainly wouldn't want any commitment to keep it that way," Jordan said.



The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

Now that we are officially into autumn I have to come to terms with the fact that there is a lot of outside work that I need to do before the onset of winter.

I know, it seems like winter is a long way away and as much as I hate to think about it, pretty soon freezing temperatures will be the norm and I will be leaving the furnace on all day rather than just running it to remove the morning chill. You see, it's really closer than you think.

Oil prices are predicted to be sky high this winter — again. The big oil companies will have all kinds of excuses like the increased cost of crude oil, the hurricanes, the war. Who knows, probably the cost of eggs in Peru will be an excuse to add another two or three or ten cents per gallon. And for all their whining and excuses, they will still post profits in the gazillions.

Be that as it may, the cost is certainly out of my control and I still have to winterize my house. There are storm windows to be washed and put into place. Things to be sealed, buttoned up and latched down. Lawn chairs, hoses and grills to be put away.

There is my flower garden to deal with too, which doesn't seem right because there are still a couple of late bloomers doing their thing.

Every year I promise myself I'm going to plant some spring bulbs so I'll be able to enjoy some early color after the snow has melted. Every year my garden is blanketed with snow before I get the motivation to do anything.

Well, this year will be different. I am definitely motivated and will get the winterizing done and will plant the bulbs.

I am so motivated in fact, that I went to Wal-Mart the other day to buy some bulb fertilizer with plans to start getting the bulb beds ready. I thought if I had the fertilizer on hand it would help to keep my motivational level up.

Christmas decorations! Come on, give us a break!

You wouldn't believe what I found in the aisle next to the plant supplies! Christmas decorations; that's what I found. I was stunned, especially considering that on that day the temperature was 70 degrees.

Christmas decorations! Come on, give us a break! Though I may have already started my Christmas shopping, that doesn't mean I want to see signs of the holiday season in September.

I start my Christmas shopping early out of necessity, not because I'm organized or because I'm influenced by a store's untimely display. My advanced Christmas shopping is based simply on economics. I'm in sales and get paid once a month and therefore have only three paychecks coming between now and Christmas. Economically speaking I cannot wait until November or December to start shopping.

Obviously, the store is trying to prevent others from

waiting too long to start their gift buying or at least their decorating.

Listening to a high-pitched version of "Santa Claus Is Coming To Town" from some electronic holiday geegaw darn near dampened my bulb planting enthusiasm.

I've always thought the stores rushed the season with their displays, but this is really rushing it. It's bad enough to have Halloween stuff put on the shelves in August, but Christmas stuff in September is going a bit too far. I was so disgusted that I walked out of the store without buying the bulb fertilizer.

It was a beautiful early fall day. The sun was shining and the temperature was warm. Christmas, fortunately is a very long way away.

When I got home I thought about working in the garden, doing some clean-up and start a bed for the bulbs. By the time I changed my clothes and found my missing gardening gloves, my energy had gone the way of my summer flowers and was for the moment dormant.

I decided to go check my e-mail instead of taking advantage of the beautiful fall day. I handled my guilt by reminding myself that it was only late September and there were a lot more nice fall days to come in which I could get all the outside work done.

The next thing I knew I was surfing the net and doing some online Christmas shopping. But, that's okay because the way I see it, Christmas is a lot closer than you think. Just ask the folks at Wal-Mart.

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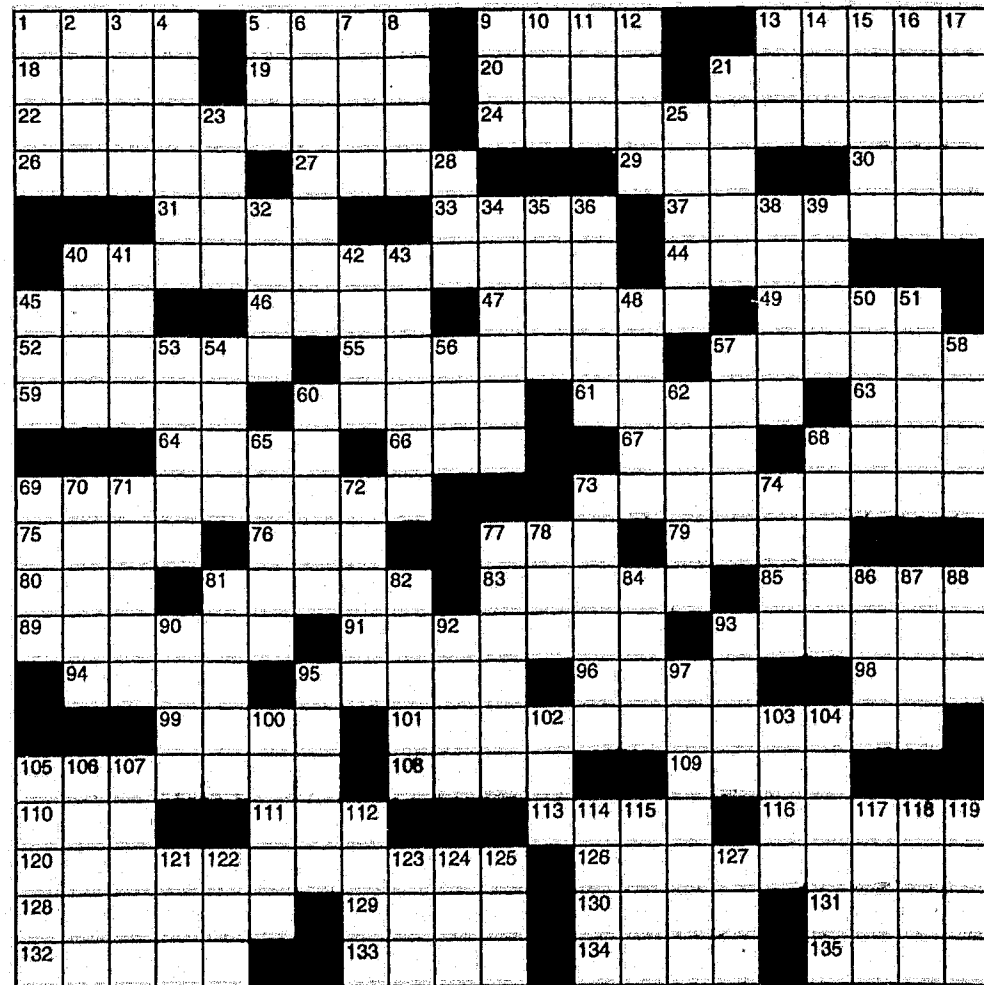
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From the Bethel Police Log:

Tuesday, Sept. 23

At 3:30 p.m. Officer Jack Taylor responded to a Railroad Street business for a report of vandalism.

Sunday, Sept. 21

At 3:45 p.m. Lt. S.R. White responded to Main Street for a report of two males fighting. On arrival one said the dispute was over his dog being unleashed by the other subject, who said the dog was wrapped around trees and did not have any water. Both subjects admitted to assaulting each other but neither wished to press charges. The subject who unleashed the dog was told to let the ACO handle such matters in the future. Both subjects were warned for disorderly conduct.

Friday, Sept. 19

At 2:46 p.m. Lt. S.R. White received a report that a vehicle had passed a school bus with its lights flashing on Route 2. The plate number provided did not match any on file.

Thursday, Sept. 18

At 3:43 a.m. on Railroad St. Officer Mike Grenier arrested Bernard S. Leighton, 20, for a warrant for unpaid fines and fees.

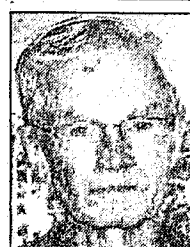
Oxford County Jail:

(Bethel region)

Sept. 19, 10:30 p.m.: Nancy J. Baker, 30, of Bethel, robbery, by Trooper Adam Fillebrown at Bethel Police Dept.

Sept. 19, 1:51 p.m.: Derek W. Boutillier, 30, of Albany, unlawful trafficking in Schedule D drugs, cultivating marijuana; by Cpl. Chancey Libby on Pattie Brook Rd. in Albany.

Bethel



by Donald G. Bennett

Work begun on Broad Street sidewalk Thursday

Excavation moved in their heavy equipment to start work on the town's Broad Street sidewalk, sewer and foundation rehab project. What looks like storm water drainpipe has been moved into position next to the sidewalk and excavation work has begun between the Gideon Hastings House and the "Upson House."

Marjorie Osgood robbed at Key Bank

Many already know about the hubbub on Main Street Thursday morning after someone reportedly committed armed robbery of Key Bank's assistant manager, Marjorie Osgood, as she was arriving to go to work. Later in the morning, a State Police mobile crime lab was parked outside the bank, state troopers were patrolling around that section of town and Channel 13 had a camera crew filming the goings on. (The same crew also got in a nightly news summary about the Bethel Water District's water use warning.) Saturday's Sun Journal newspaper reported that a

suspect had been arrested for the burglary. Our sympathies go to Marjorie for having to experience that kind of frightening encounter. Thankfully no one was reported hurt.

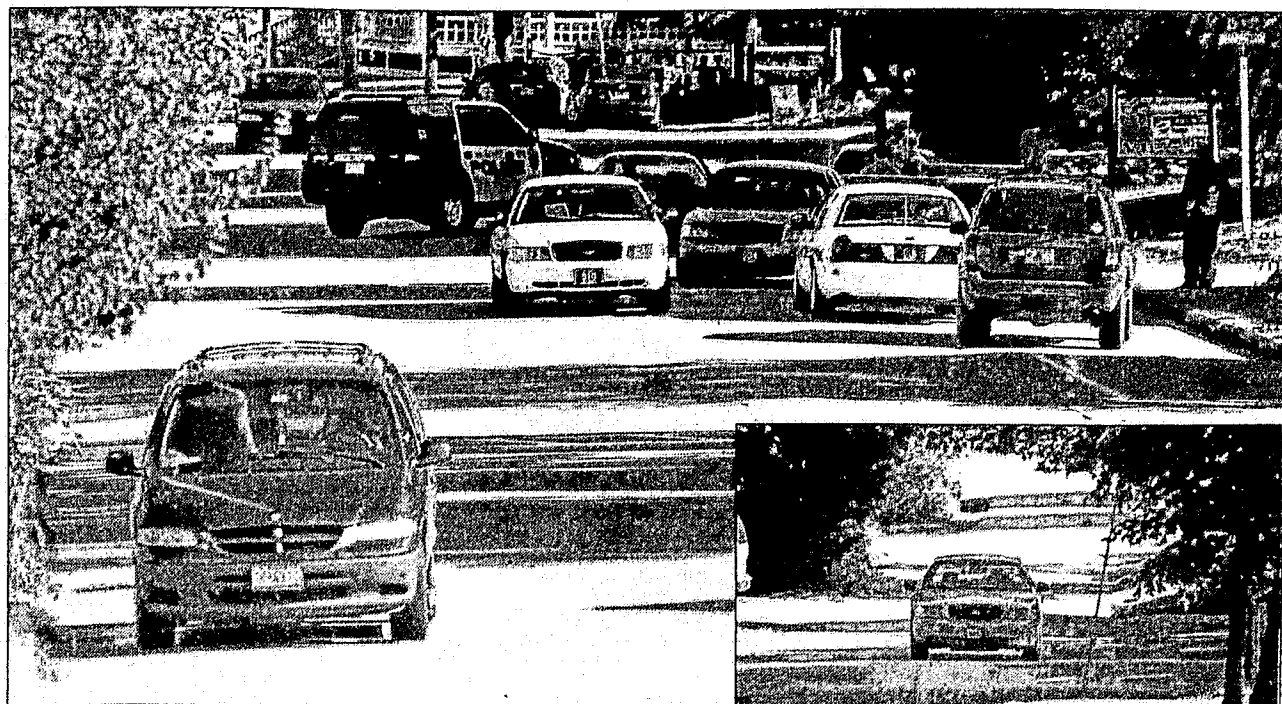
Mason Street parking on Saturday

As is customary on Saturdays when a weekend event is taking place on the common, Mason Street becomes an informal parking lot. At 11:15 there were 19 cars parked along the edge of the street up as far as the McKay's house. Besides parking, there is a steady stream of pedestrians including kids and dogs walking to or from the common. Traffic is zigzagging through going in both directions with some drivers a little more impatient than others and all just brushing past the walkers. At 1 p.m. the number of cars parked on the street had gone up to 31. And as is the case almost every day of the week, when driving a car out of Mason Street into Broad Street, a driver cannot see whether there is conflicting traffic until out into the travel lane due to cars parked too close to the intersection.

Bethel Bazaar — the September model

An impressive crowd filled the Bethel Common during late morning and early afternoon last Saturday for what could be called the Harvest Fest Fair. Gorgeous mid-day sun and comfortable temperatures made the day even better. Although it was named

AN ARMED ROBBERY at Key Bank on Main Street in Bethel last Thursday morning brought law enforcement from all over the region to search for the suspect. Police vehicles converged on Main Street near the bank, and roadblocks were set up around the village. Inset, a state trooper searches High Street shortly after the robbery was reported. (Photos: A. Aloisio)



Harvest Fest, a look around the common did not seem to reveal much difference from earlier shows. Each bazaar has a different theme and there is a minor core of attractions to match the particular theme, but the remainder seems to be replay what has been seen in previous months of arts and crafts tents and booths.

Chowder sampling and apple pie sampling drew such a crowd that the waiting line to get tickets stretched nearly to the Bethel Inn's flagpole. Parking near the common was just as crowded as the common, but the Gould parking lot on Elm Street was practically empty. So there was room for more cars within a reasonable walking distance of the common. Since I am not a stand-in-line-and-wait person, we stopped at Glidden's Shop and Save where I got a can of Bar Harbor fish chowder. It wasn't bad but not that good either — had to add sugar to cut down on the strong salt flavor.

On the lawn between Bethel Library and Robinson House, Steve Stone displayed a number of his wood-carved bears and was working on a new piece as part of his display. A boy who may have been the Stone's son posed next to one of the bear sculptures — both wooden bear and boy held signs saying "I'm Not a Bear."

Besides all the work that the Bethel Chamber does to bring

this weekend about, we should award a five-star badge to the chamber for the printed program that somehow circulated onto our kitchen table. It is a very useful, complete guide to the weekend and a handy item to have for questioners and visitors.

Recapping Trails Committee

The briefing and letter given to Bethel selectmen last week provides a good public report of what the Trails Committee of the Mahosuc Land Trust has been doing. This is an extract with a revision added to the original letter written by Jim List, who is the Trails Committee chairman. The revision is an added last paragraph of developments since Sept. 15 plus the decision by the selectmen to agree in principle with the request to provide trail support for the Gateway trail development.

To follow up on development of the Bethel Pathway, the Trails Committee, a committee of the Mahosuc Land Trust, sees the benefits of a community trail network. Multi-use trails can improve the quality of life for residents, and serve as a catalyst for growing the community's economy in a sustainable way that capitalizes on our unique natural assets.

As you may be aware, the Trails Committee took as its

initial guiding principles the conclusions of a broadly attended public meeting in 2004. At that time, Bethel citizens showed widespread interest for pedestrian trails to three destinations: Angevine Park; Newry/Sunday River; and the Telstar school complex. Another priority expressed at the meeting was to provide safe walking access to all area schools.

Connecting all these destinations, the committee envisioned a trail "spine" occupying the central Bethel municipal area. The core of this spine was seen to be the Bethel Pathway, which the committee regarded as the standard by which future trail development should be designed.

The committee's first successful project was to obtain funding and matching services to construct a trail from the end of the multi-use bridge across the Androscoggin River safely across Route 2 to North Road. This trail section lengthened the Bethel Pathway by a third of a mile.

Second, the town of Bethel has for a number of years aspired to add sidewalks to its downtown streets. The committee's pursuit of support from Maine's Safe Routes to School program led to a grant funding the design and construction of sidewalk access to Crescent Park School, along Mason Street.

Committee members working with the town have cleared a trail route in Mayville that extends the Bethel Pathway once again for more than a third of a mile from North Road to Twitchell Brook. The town now holds easements and title. We will continue to offer and to seek assistance in the development of this trail. This route also offers the opportunity of a return loop via sidewalk along Route 2, a concept that received unanimous support in a survey of Mayville property owners and encouragement from the Maine Department of Transportation.

The Trails Committee is currently developing a pro-

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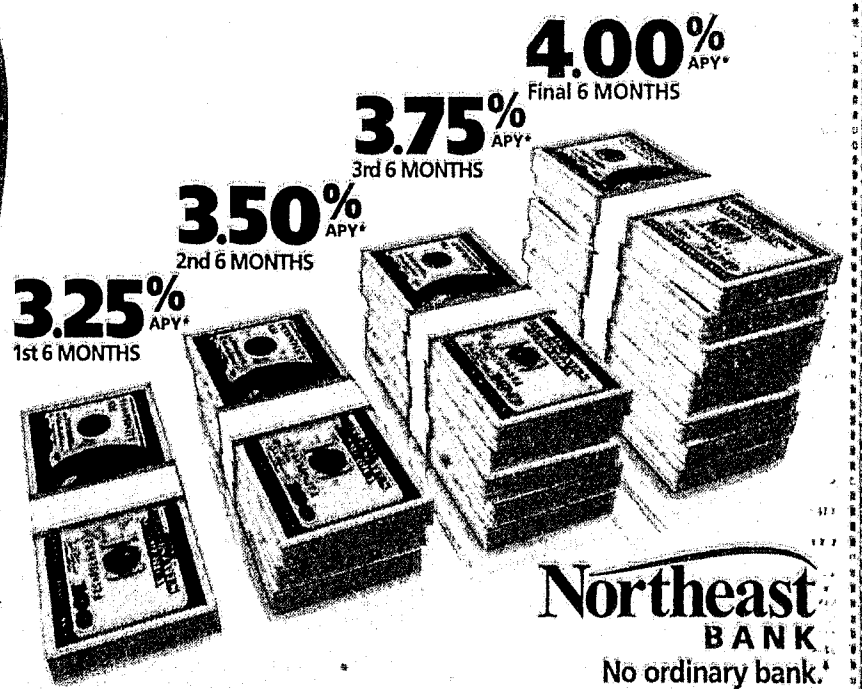
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posal to construct a trail on the Mahoosuc Land Trust's "Gateway" property — so named because it offers the visitor a scenic introduction to the Bethel landscape. Development of the anticipated trail here would add yet another third of a mile to the popular Bethel Pathway "spine" that will in the future be linked to a larger network of multiple trails. In this instance, the intent is to begin the linkage of Bethel's Davis Park with the Telstar school complex.

The Mahoosuc Land Trust has already agreed to sign over an easement containing the trail route to the town of Bethel. Here the committee is grateful for town support as it was received for the Pathway extension to the North Road.

As you probably now have learned, the Bethel selectmen have agreed in principle to support work in completing the Gateway trail section in a manner similar to town support of the extended Pathway that led from the recreational bridge to the North Road.

Since meeting with selectmen, the committee has been offered the opportunity to speak up with what is most important to us for advancing a Bethel area trail network as a regional project. The Maine Office of Tourism would like to know in order to help in its planning. The state's objective is to make trails across the state a feature that could enhance statewide economic and vacationing attractiveness.

What interesting weather we have

This summer (June, July and August) our average daily mean temperature was 67.51 degrees. This compares to 66.77 in 2007, 69.55 in 2006 and 69.62 in 2005. This year we had only five days that the temperature reached 90 or over during the months of June, July and August. In 2007 for the same period, there were 13 days that were 90 or over; in 2006, 28 days and in 2005, 36 days.

If you have news for the Bethel column please e-mail it to Donald@thebetheljournal.com or call 824-2094.

West Bethel



by Lorrie Hoeh
The autumnal equinox has passed, and Monday was the first full day of autumn. We went apple-picking at Lyon's Orchard last week, a sure sign of fall. Moreover, the flickers are doing their



CPS CLASS OF 1964 SOUGHT FOR REUNION—Classmates who grew up together going to Crescent Park School, graduating from the eighth grade in 1964, are planning a get together on Saturday, Sept. 27. The alumni of that class went on to high school at either Gould Academy or Woodstock High School, and have not gathered together since 1964. In conjunction with their 40th high school graduation celebrations, an event is being planned to bring the group together again. There will be a potluck open house at the home of Bill and Vicky Myers at 64 Birch Street on Lake Christopher in Bryant Pond from 2-9 p.m. Sept. 27. For more information, call 207-665-2808.

fall "anting" thing and can be seen along the roadsides scarfing down their favorite snack.

The Harvest Fest was last weekend, and the Common was crowded with many hundreds of people enjoying the mild weather and bright sunshine. There were lots of interesting arts and crafts booths, as well as various kinds of food and snacks. Of course, one of the big attractions was the big Chowdah Cook-off, with a long line stretching all the way back to the Bethel Inn from the Chamber of Commerce tent.

The Fire Department also had a food concession, with hot dogs, hamburgers, and cheeseburgers being cooked on an open grill. Live music from the gazebo kept people entertained. Our West Bethel neighbor, Mo Libby, was there with Sunday Punch and Outta Here charming visitors while she did a brisk business selling alpaca products.

We had our friends, Hank and Shirley Bowen from Lansdale, Pa., with us, and they especially enjoyed the colorful event. That evening we had a delightful meal together at Cho Sun. The town looked very busy, so it seems that the earlier event carried over in the form of lots of folks taking advantage of Bethel's "night life."

Bethel certainly had its share of excitement on Thursday morning. I was at the Mouse and Bean having coffee with friends when word came that Main Street and all the schools were in lock-down mode. A clearly desperate young woman had accosted the assistant manager of Key Bank, Marjorie Osgood, brandishing a gun and demanding money. She was caught the next day and is now in Oxford County Jail. I expect the episode will be a topic of conversation for a while.

Saturday night was the last church supper of the season

at the West Bethel Community Church. Regular attendees will certainly miss these gatherings with all the good food and fellowship.

Pleasant Valley Grange will have their regular monthly meeting tonight at 6, starting with potluck supper (more of that good West Bethel food!), followed by a business meeting. Members have just finished preparing and presenting their exhibit at the Oxford County Fair, and now they are neck-deep in preparations for the Fryeburg Fair, which starts on Sept. 28.

Fryeburg requires two separate exhibits, one agricultural and the other home crafts and handwork. Therefore, it isn't possible just to rehash the Oxford exhibit; it must be reorganized and augmented to meet the Fryeburg specifics. Pleasant Valley usually does an excellent job on both fronts and comes away with ribbons.

I will be at work in the Farm Museum for four days of the Fair, demonstrating hand spinning up in the Museum loft. My days are Sunday, Tuesday, Friday, and Sunday, so do stop by and say hello if you're at the Fair. Meanwhile, enjoy the lovely fall weather and harvest, and be in touch with your news and comments: 836-3011; dhoeh@megalink.net

Gilead



by Lin Chapman

The cool nights have arrived, but we have not had a frost yet. Areas nearby have had some white-coated lawns and gardens, but we have been spared.

It was great to hear that Dan Cole has returned home from his recent stay in the hospital in Lewiston. He has to take it easy for a while, get-well wish-

es go out to him.

Steve and Lise McLain, heard from their son, Joe, who is still in Montana. Joe likes to take hikes in the mountains and occasionally runs into some of the local wildlife. A while back he ran into the herd of big horned sheep that were not very pleasant to him and just recently he came upon a mountain lion. The lion did not notice him at first, so he made as much noise as possible. The lion ran in the opposite direction.

I had to stop at the Bethel Citizen last week to pick up a couple of extra copies of the paper since there were such nice pictures of the new Town Office in it. I stopped to drop off an extra copy for my brother, Steve McLain, on my way by the Transportation Garage.

Norm Buttrick and Cathy McGuire were at the house last Saturday to look at some paperwork pertaining to the Gilead Historical Society. They wanted a tour of the new Town Office. They saw the picture in the paper and were impressed with the table when they saw it.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Fraser and Doris Fraser stopped by last Sunday and dropped off an old magazine that had an article that mentioned Gilead. They also wanted a Town Office tour.

Comp. Planning Committee
The CPC is working on a survey that will be mailed out soon (next week or two) to the taxpayers and registered voters of the town. There is also a plan to have these surveys available at the Town Office in case anyone is missed in the mailing. There will be instructions included with the survey as to how they are to be returned.

Gilead Fire Department
The GFD was called out last Friday night for a car/moose accident on Route 2 near the State Line. The driver was transported to the hos-

pital in Berlin, but seemed to be all right. Sadly the moose was not. Several members responded to direct traffic and secured the area.

Gilead Historical Society
This is the last reminder for the Annual Meeting and Potluck Supper that will be held on Saturday, Sept. 27, at the Town Hall at 5 p.m. This is a public supper so bring something to share and come and visit with your neighbors. The Annual Meeting will follow and all members are urged to attend.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.com

East Bethel



by Nancy Mercer

Alder River Grange will have a meeting on Sept. 26 at the hall with a 6:30 p.m. potluck supper and the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

The Bethel Stamp Club will meet on Sept. 30 at 2 p.m. at the O'Neil Robinson House.

A large group of people turned out to listen to the Rev. Dan Johnson on Sept. 14.

Geneva Pelletier of Auburn, N.H., visited with Paul and Charlotte Kimball Sept. 11 to 14. Paul and Charlotte and Geneva had supper with Andre and Flossie Bernier at their new home on Sept. 13.

Ann Crockett celebrated her birthday recently. Butch and Ann Crockett celebrated a wedding anniversary recently as well.

A pair of black frame reading glasses with half lenses was left at the Grange Hall on Sept. 13 after the presentation by Ms. Johnson. Call me at 824-3350.

Someone lost a trailer plate near my mailbox a few weeks back with the number B 105283

and expires February 2009.

Millie Jackson went with Patrick and Shirley O'Brian to Peak's Island in Casco Bay on Sept. 20. They attended the wedding of Carrie Olson, Shirley's granddaughter. It was a beautiful day on the Bay.

Diane Howe, Andrea Howe, Savannah Howe and Mike Blaisdell attended a birthday party for Skylar, daughter of Alyssa Howe, on Sept. 20.

If you have news, please give a ring at 824-3350. God Bless the Troops.

Greenwood City



by Wayne Hakala

It has been a very good week. Except for the blood draws! I just don't want to let any escape. I want to keep it all. Cindy tells me that the nice, bouncy views are few and very far apart. Such is life.

Tuesday I carried my walker into therapy. I rode the bike five minutes and then 20 squats on the incline machine. On Friday I did the same on the bike and did 35 squats. Knee flex was at 113 degrees. Therapists are happy and I am really pleased. Now if the Doc is as pleased Monday, life will be good.

Friday after my therapy, I visited with Ray and No-rene, grandsons Nick and Will, plus the puppies. Ray was surprised as I walked by the front window. And he was pleased. Had fun with the great nephews and puppies. Maggie had several little kisses for me on my nose. Andy and Buster just needed lots of petting and cuddles.

Wednesday and Friday night Bingos at the Legion have been well attended. We are fortunate to have good people helping and making the evening a fun time. Also, the kitchen has been doing really well. Just about everything is sold out each night. Also, we are doing an excellent job of recycling. Due to the very fine help from all, we have reduced our trash to a minimum. Most weeks we are putting out approximately 125 pounds. Most of that is the Bingo papers and pull tab games.

Also, the Auxiliary is doing well on the monthly musical suppers. Each has been well attended. The next supper is on the second Tuesday in October and the Richard Felt band will be providing the music. The supper will be a harvest supper. So be sure to attend.

The Auxiliary president's project is doing well. All the returnable cans and bottles

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are earmarked for the Shrine Burn Hospital for kids — a rewarding project for such a great origination.

On Saturday evening I attended the Woodstock Republican Committee Meet the Candidate night. But first was a very tasty dinner of chicken pic and the fixings. The Legion Auxiliary provided an excellent dinner as always. Though attendance was down this year, a good time was had by all.

Herbie Dunham has had a time just having his stent replaced. I'm sure he wasn't happy spending a couple of days in the hospital. We all wish him well.

Enough for this evening. Have to rise early for the Togs appointments tomorrow. Everyone be well for the next week!

Andover



by Melinda Averill
Hello friends. Just to let you know that the Andover Food Pantry

is now open. It is located at the First Congregational Church, and the hours are Tuesday morning from 9 until 11. Where it is officially being operated and run by a different outfit than before, they will be starting anew, from scratch, so there will be paperwork for everyone to fill out on their first visit.

The Roxbury ATV Riders will be participating on Saturday, Sept. 27, in The Toys For Tots ride. Anyone interested in going should plan on meeting at the Jay McDonald's at 8 a.m. The ride will start at 9. Remember to bring an unwrapped toy.

Children from Andover playing Middle School sports at Telstar this year are J.V. Field Hockey: sixth grade, Katie Merrill, Maureen Glover and Ellie Conrad; Varsity: eighth graders, Gabby Conrad, Kelsey Averill and Jenna Putnam. Middle School soccer: 6th grade, Jacob O'leary, Joseph Putnam; 7th grade, Nik Conrad; and 8th grade, Autumn Berry and Echo Pelc.

Andover children playing for Mountain Valley Girls' Soccer are Katie Mills and Kasey Smith; Boys' Soccer: 8th graders Joshua Rainey and Trevor Newman.

Sunday is the start of the Fryeburg Fair.

Thursday starts Homecoming Weekend at Telstar. There will be a parade starting at 6:30 p.m. going down main street Bethel and ending at the field across from Casablanca Cinema (where the tallest snowman was). The High School clubs and

athletic teams will be selling refreshments and providing activities starting at 7:30, which is also the time of the bonfire until 8:30. On Friday the field hockey team plays at Boothbay at 4 p.m., and on Saturday the boys' soccer team hosts Lisbon at 12 noon. Members of the soccer team from Andover are: senior Deagan Conrad; juniors Ethan Morin, Joel Putnam; sophomores, Elek Pew, Daniel Vaughn; and freshmen, Randy Morin.

Birthday celebrations this week are: Jacob Berry on the 28th, Drew Hutchins on the 29th, Gabe Coolidge on the 30th, and Thalia Nelson on Oct. 1.

On Saturday a bunch of us went to Portland shopping. A new store opened up in the Mall, Forever 21, and it was packed!

Have a nice weekend.

Hanover



by Clem Worcester

On Monday, Sept. 5, there was an ill windstorm. It was said to be the tail end of Hurricane Ike. Branches and leaves blew about. A tree toppled over on Mill Hill Road and brought down a wire, which turned off the electricity along Howard Pond Road for about three hours. Central Maine Power Company made repairs. Also, during the windstorm the town's float at Howard Pond broke loose from its mooring. It was captured and has now been removed from the lake, somewhat earlier than other years.

The Hanover Select Board met Tuesday, Sept. 16. Chairman Bruce Powell and Board members Brenda Lee Gross and Frank Morrison attended as did Bob Fortin, Solid Waste committee person; Clem Worcester, Board secretary and Richard Stratton. There was discussion about the upcoming vote for the regional school consolidation plan. The Board reminds citizens that there will be a public hearing on the issue at 5 p.m. at the Town Office on Oct. 15. The referendum vote will be during the elections on Nov. 4. The next Select Board meeting will be Oct. 28 at 5 p.m. followed by the annual Town Meeting at 6 p.m.

The Hanover Town office was closed on Tuesday, Sept. 23, as staff attended elections training in Portland.

The "Celebration of Light" to commemorate the establishment of electricity to the Gardner Roberts Memorial Library building will be Oct. 10. We will have more information about the celebration at a later date.

Hanover native Daren Worcester and his wife, Fran, formerly of New Gloucester, Maine are proudly announcing the birth of a son, Wyatt Berry. He was born Sept. 16, at a Concord, N.H., hospital and weighed 7 pounds and 2 ounces. At his birth he was 20 1/2 inches long.

Grandparents Bill and Gail Worcester traveled to Concord to meet the new arrival and returned home with pictures and bragging rights. Wyatt is the first child of Daren and Fran, who live in Hooksett, N.H. He is the second grandchild for Bill and Gail.

East Andover



by Joan Stinson-Carney

There are many people who do the right thing expecting no credit, and I want to recognize three of them. First, Janet Farrington spent her week-end in the Bangor area running the Susan G. Konan Race for the Cure for Cancer. Second, seven year old Megan Chaisson donated 11 inches of her beautiful hair so that a child with cancer could have some. Third, Paula Lee of Visible Changes donated her time to cut Megan's hair. You all should feel very proud of yourselves, congrats!

Last week I forgot to mention that the Andover Food Pantry also helps the residents of Newry along with Andover, Roxbury, and Byron. Sorry about that!

Just a warning, I was told by one of the selectmen that the Tax Commitment has been completed, so watch out, your tax bill will be in your mailbox soon.

Now to lighten things up a bit. A husband forgot his wife's 50th birthday, you know how men are, and after all the shouting, screaming, and crying had died down, she said to him, "In order for me to forgive you, tomorrow morning I had better see something in our driveway that will go from zero to 200 within two minutes." The next morning she went out to the driveway — and found a new scale.

I want to know who is to blame for my picture being in the 2008 September edition of "Paper Talks" — page 27 in



DRIFT BOAT WINNERS—Winners of the First Annual Northeast Drift Boat Championships held Sunday on the Androscoggin River are (from left): third place, Chris Russell, The Forks, representing Northern Outdoors; first place, Mike Jones, Farmington, representing Fly Rod & Reel Magazine; and second place, Scott Stone, Bethel, representing Schlavi Home Builders. The oarsmen raced for the fastest time over a 1/4 mile course from Bethel Outdoor Adventures to Davis Park, navigating three buoys and carrying an angler who was required to remain standing throughout the race. The winning time was 7 minutes, 25 seconds.

(Photo: Phil Savignano)

case you don't recognize me. That picture of the 10 members of the 1959 graduating class of Andover High School was a big surprise. I can't believe that it's been 50 years since it was taken, and yes, I do feel and I am old. All the years my sons were in high school I told them that if I could be in the top 10 percent of my class, they should be able to do it too. When they recently found out that there were only 10 of us in the whole class — well!

That picture brings back a lot of good memories, and I feel very lucky to have been a part of that class. I hope that I can see them again next May at the Alumni Banquet.

The Calvary Bible Church's Monday morning Bible study group met for their first session at Mary Bailey's last Monday, new members are always welcome.

See 'ya.

Newry



by Sylvia Harrington

This is a busy time of the year for people who stack wood and think about keeping their homes warm during winter.

My friend Carol Small from Orrington, who spends part of the winter in Dallas, Ga., and Tampa, Fla., arrived on Monday, Tuesday, she and Mark

taxes paid before interest is added to the payment!

Mason



by Richard Grover

Things were pretty quiet in the Grover household last week. Mona canned tomatoes, while I worked at finishing niece Elsie Aylward's chimney. (She plans to put a wood-burning heater in her basement to help keep the house warm while minimizing the use of heating oil.)

I resolved to go fishing Saturday, while Mona went to Boston with daughter Jane and granddaughter Carrie to see a play.

Friday evening I drove to Oquossoc and spent the night at Norm and Gail Weston's camp with them.

Saturday morning I was up early while Norm cooked the bacon and eggs; as I watched him, I called Mona on the cell phone to make sure she was up early to catch her ride to Boston. As I was talking to Mona, Gail and her four-month-old puppy, Fletcher, got up. Fletcher came over to me in the kitchen and started excitedly jumping up and down on my right leg as I

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talked, as he often does. Suddenly, I felt something warm on my sock-footed right foot; then I realized Fletch was sprinkling all over my foot, as well as a good size piece of the kitchen floor! While I mumbled obscenities, Gail snatched up the puppy and took him outside.

Norm wasn't a very good host, as he caught a beautiful 17½-inch brook trout and a 16½-inch salmon while I caught nothing!

Over the weekend, Mona got a call asking her to install the newly elected officers in the West Paris Unit 151 Auxiliary, as the Ring-McKeen American Legion Post 151 officers were being installed. Mona asked Nesta Littlefield to assist as her installing chaplain, and finding nobody else, she asked me to act as her installing Sergeant-at-Arms, not usually a man for the auxiliary. The installation went fine, with only a few minor errors committed by me. But at the end of the ceremony, unit president Doreen Wilbur planted a kiss on my left cheek as vice president Dianne Rainey did the same with my right, under the pretext that they had not planned a gift for me because they didn't know I was to be on the installing team. Did my face get red! I may volunteer to install them again next year!

Locke Mills



by Lorraine Larson

I think I finally have a working computer back again. I do not always have the best of luck with my computers but, as Ralph says, if one makes one out of old parts and bailing wire, what can one expect? Or maybe it's just me. I do the PowerPoint on the church's laptop, and we are going to have to go to another computer because that one is on the fritz. It will work fine until it gets warmed up and then you never know what you will get when you hit a key.

Marcia Smith returned home to Easton, Thursday, after spending two weeks with her mother, Lorraine Lar-

son, and visiting her brother, Ralph Mills, and other relatives.

Gerry Shimamura took her to the bus in Lewiston after treating her and her mother to lunch at the Chickadee.

Crystal Lake and Lorraine Larson have been enjoying the evangelistic services with Angel Berrios at Praise Assembly of God in Rumford Center. He was there Sunday for two services and then three evening services. They are posted on the church's website, www.praiseassemblyofgod.net if anyone is interested.

The town offers its sincerest sympathy to the family of Mary Bean who lost a courageous battle with cancer last week. She will be missed by many people.

West Paris



by Joyce Lamb

A killing frost last week. The large begonia had been moved inside to the sun porch a week ago so it escaped the frost and continues to grow.

It is enormous and loaded with many large pink-orange blossoms hanging over the sides of the large pot. This plant is one that wintered over from a regular begonia plant that I had cut off and put in the cellar a year ago. I do not understand how it developed so vigorously and produced such beautiful huge blossoms.

On Sunday, Sept. 28, the Rev. Richard Beal will be observing two Jewish holidays that has influence in Universalist thinking. Church starts at 9 a.m. Jim Burke is organist. A coffee hour follows. All are welcome. On Saturday the work crew accomplished a lot preparing the building and grounds inside and out for the winter. The front steps received a coat of gray paint.

Great-grandmother Cynthia Lamb reports the birth of a tiny girl to Kelsey and Jodie Brooks of Lebanon on Friday, Sept. 19, at Maine Medical Center in Portland. Autumn Grace weighed 4 pounds and 7 ounces and is doing well. Grandparents are Jim and Chris Lamb.

A daughter, Reagan Jo, was born to Shean and Jara Wilson

DBA: Slopeside Rentals

Heidi James recently opened a small, family run rental agency on Main Street in Bethel specializing in rentals of Fall Line condominiums slope-side at Sunday River. Rent for one night or a week. Prices, at \$185 a night, include housekeeping and linen, use of the indoor heated pool and common room with large fireplace. The condominiums are just steps to the trails of the South Ridge area, the hub of Sunday River. Grocery-shopping services will also be available. Look for special pricing during the Fall Foliage season (207-824-2920 or slopesiderentals.net).



Waterford



by Rockie Graham

It is fall, indeed. The leaves are turning and looking beautiful.

The windshield sports frost on intermittent mornings. The afternoons are warm and sunny. It is almost time to put the garden to bed. I picked all the tomatoes, even the green ones, last week. They are ripening in the entry room. The winter squash and the greens remain. They won't last long.

My notes have disappeared, so I will have to write this from my fever-laden memory. I have that virus that is traveling around this neighborhood, and probably several others.

This Thursday, the 25th, there are several things happening. Mountain Poets meets at the Fare Share Commons at 7 p.m. All poets and poet lovers are welcome.

Also on Thursday, Western Maine Community Action Health Services has an open house from 5 to 7 p.m.

at their facility, the Golden Arch Building on Main Street (Route 26). Katie Branch will show her artwork. Refreshments will be served. FMI 743-2066 or 795-4007.

Going into October — on Oct. 11 David Mallet will have a concert for the Western Foothills Land Trust. It will be from 7 to 9 p.m. at Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School. Tickets are available at Books N Things, Creative Media, and The Gift Barn in Norway.

On Oct. 12 is the 9th annual Fall Foliage 5K Road Race. It will be held rain or shine with the proceeds going to the Tony Waldeier Scholarship Fund.

This week was the birthday of grandson Ryan Perkins. He is 9, almost double digits.

That is all for this week. Enjoy the great fall weather and have a good week.

Albany



by Sheila Dyke

Greetings and hello from Albany Township. The weather is certainly

cooler, but the colors from the trees are very lovely. Autumn is one of those seasons. I just love, but also on a certain level dislike. It's lovely; the air is comfortable, but it also means that winter is just over the next horizon.

Buzzie Lapham tells me that the fall Yard Sale at the Town Hall will be on Oct. 11. They are still looking for good, saleable items. They hope to have everything in, and marked the week prior to the sale. So, if you've got stuff that you would like to donate, give Buzzie a call at 824-2568 so that you can make arrangements to drop off the goodies at the Town Hall. The proceeds from the sale go toward fixing the roof.

Best wishes for a happy and safe week. God Bless and Keep.

Bryant Pond



by Alice Hoyt

Franklin Grange 124th met on Monday, Sept. 15, for a regular meeting

at the Grange Hall. Things coming up are the giving of dictionaries to third graders in Woodstock Elementary and Forest Dale schools in October. Also in October, the Grange will put on the Republican Supper and hold Pomona meeting. On Nov. 8, the Grange will put on another Mock Hee-Haw show. Next meeting will be Oct. 6 and it will be Hobby and Craft night. Please bring a hobby or craft you are interested in. Program was opening thought, Bertha DeHaas, opening song, "This is my Father's World"; Edwin Howe showed slides he had taken of Alaska. Everyone enjoyed them; Del Parker sang several songs and yodeled; Dot Canwell whistled a couple tunes; closing song, "Let There be Peace on Earth"; closing thought.

Pastors and representatives of the local churches attended the dedication of the new Crosstone Restaurant and Conference Center at Mollycokett Motel on Monday, Sept. 15. Beth and Steve Hoover attended as representatives of the Bryant Pond Baptist Church. The lovely new facility consists of a 60-

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seat restaurant, which will open daily from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. and a large conference room which can be used for meetings or private dining and would seat approximately 100 at tables. After a brief tour of the facility, time was spent with the owners Tim and Fran Buck sharing stories of the Lord's provision for this venture, prayers for his continued blessing by local pastors and singing praise chorus. A lovely buffet dinner was enjoyed by all. A ribbon-cutting ceremony and grand opening were held Saturday, Sept. 20 at 3 p.m. We wish Tim and Fran Buck God's blessings and much success in this new venture.

As has been discussed at meetings lately, two members of Judith Grover Tent 17 met with the town officials about adding on to the Honor Roll. They were in agreement and Town Manager Vern Maxfield will look and get estimates from local masons. The new bench has been put in place by the Honor Roll. Stop and look at it, it's very nice. Thanks to the town and town crew for pouring the base and setting the bench.

The Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens will eat out on Thursday, Oct. 2 at the Town & Country Inn, Gorham, N.H.

Whitman Memorial Library will be celebrating their 100th year on Monday, Oct. 13, 2008 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be a Chinese Auction, Checkers Tournament, old-fashioned games and Richard Felt's band. All are welcome to attend. Come help them celebrate.

Historical Society
At the annual meeting of the Historical Society, members elected the following officers: president, Elaine Roberts; vice president, Annella Burnham; secretary, Vicki Billings; treasurer, Paul Billings; trustees, Mary Billings and Gil Whitman. Annella Burnham is chairman of the board of trustees and Olive Risko is vice-chairman. Curator is Larry Billings. Sculptor Gil Whitman said he planned a 15-foot, one and one-half ton candlestick phone for the common, a Remembrance Park with stones on a wall commemorating family members and businesses and a Gazebo Bandstand. The society voted to donate the old railroad sign for the project. A drawing for the baskets and raffle was also held.

The exhibits can be viewed for the next couple of months.

The meetings will start at 6 p.m. with a supper before the meeting for a while to determine if people like that change. So come to socialize a bit before the meeting. They offer the public only the best with Decorative Arts and collections. Jackie Gunther from "The Shop" in Bethel gave Larry a cover to put over a settee so the sun wouldn't fade it.

From Bethel Library

The Bethel Library will start Story Hour on Wednesday, Oct. 1, at 10 a.m. Story Hour will keep the same schedule as SAD44 concerning holidays and snow days. All local children ages 2 to 5 are welcome and must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Michele Perejda volunteered to be our storyteller for this year. We are extremely excited to have her. If you have any questions, you may contact the library at 824-2520. We hope to see you there.

Fiction: "Palace Counsel" by Stephen Carter, "The Bourne Sanction" by Eric Lustbade, "Exit Music" by Ian Rankin, "Brooklyn Bridge" by Karen Hesse, "Indignation" by Philip Roth, "Ghost Train to the Eastern Star" by Paul Theroux, "Home" by Marilyn Robinson, "Envy the Night" by Caroline Wall, "This Must be the Place" by Anna Wheeler, "American Wife" by Curtis Sittenfeld, "Supreme Courtship" by Christopher Buckley, "Devil Bones" by Kathy Reich, "Man in the Dark" by Paul Auster, "A Common Ordinary Murder" by Donald Pharrar, "Epilogue" by Ann Roiphe, "Just Fine the Way It Is" by Annie Proulx, "The Maze of Bone" by Rick Riordan, "Yesterday's Weather" by Anne Enright, "Moscow Rules" by Daniel Silva, "Alfred and Emily" by Doris Lessing, "Anathem" by Neil Stephenson, "Crossing to Paradise" by Kevin Crossley-Holland, "The Diamond of the Dark" by Jean DuPrau, "The House at Sugar Beach" by Helen Cooper, "I Don't" by Susan Squire, "Fresh Kills" by Bill Loehfelm, "The Hunger Games" by Susan Collins, "Stand the Storm" by Breana Clarke, "The Little Book" by Selden Edwards, "Graceling" by Christine Cashore, "The Last Patriot" by Brad Thor, "Off Season" by Ann River Siddons, "8 Sandpiper Way" by Debbie Macomber, "For the Love of Mike" by Rhys Bowen, "A Cedar Cove Christmas" by Debbie Macomber,

"The Private Patient" by P.D. James, "The Brass Verdict" by Michael Connelly, "The Book of Lies" by Brad Meltzer, "I am the Messenger" by Markus Zusak, "The Bible Salesman" by Clyde Edgerton, "Chasing Darkness" by Robert Crais, "Babylon Rolling" by Amanda Boyden, "The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society" by Maryann Scaffer.

Non Fiction: "Hot, Flat and Crowded" by Thomas Friedman, "The War Within" by Bob Woodward, "Mike's Election Guide 2008" by Michael Moore, "All Hands Down: the True Story of the Soviet Attack on the USS Scorpion" by Jermonie Preisler, "Wesley the Owl" by Stacy O'Brien, "Eat This Not That for Kids" by Zinzenko, "This Land is Their Land" by Barbara Ehrenreich, "My Sister My Love" by Joyce Carol Oates, "In Defense of Food" by Pollen.

Children: "Brisinger" by Christopher Paolini, "The Sea Serpent and Me" by Kaitia Chien, "The Titans Curse" by Percy Jackson, "The Battle of Labyrinth" by Percy Jackson, "Three Bears and Goldilocks" by Margaret Willey, "The Doll People," "Runaway Dolls" and "The Meanest Doll in the World" by Ann Martin, "Gingerbread Friends" by Jan Brett, "Big Words for Little People" by Jamie Lee Curtis, "Gallop" by Butler.

From Western Mountains Senior College

"A Visit to Safe Passage," Hanely Denning's program to save Guatemala City's dump children, will be the topic of the Down Home Maine program on Thursday, Oct. 2, from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at the Rooster's Roadhouse private dining room, 159 Mayville Road, Route 2, Bethel.

Pat and Henry Stewart, program volunteers, will share experiences and show the Academy Award nominated film, "A Recycled Life."

Down Home Maine, sponsored by Western Mountains Senior College, brings unique, creative and adventurous Maine people to the community through these monthly programs.

"Safe Passage" (Camino Se-

guro) was founded in 1999 by Hanley Denning of Falmouth, Maine, to provide hope and assistance to the children of the Guatemala City garbage dump workers and their families. The program provides a comprehensive and integrated program that fosters hope, good health, educational achievement, self-esteem and confidence. Each child can gain the skills needed to obtain stable jobs, to be self-sufficient and lead their families out of poverty in a dignified and permanent way. Since it was founded, Safe Passage has grown from educating 40 children to over 500. It represents a community comprised of children and their families living at the Guatemala City dump, a dedicated local Guatemalan staff, and caring sponsors and volunteers from Guatemala and around the world.

Christ Church, Norway, was one of the first sponsors of a Safe Passage Child through their outreach budget and contributions of individual parishioners. In 2007, two days after Hanley's tragic death, Pat and Henry Stewart visited Safe Passage as volunteers and met Christ Church's sponsor child, Julian Reyes. They returned in 2008 and will return again in February 2009.

The program is open to the public without charge. Rooster's Roadhouse will have a cash bar and light hors d'oeuvres available. FMI call 665-2181 or 836-2576.

New "To Your Health" Series Focuses on Stress

"How Anxiety and Stress Can Affect Your Life," a workshop presented by Wayne DuPlessis, counselor, will launch this year's new series by the To Your Health Committee of the Western Mountains Senior College (WMSC). The workshop will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 1, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the West Parish Congregational Church, Garland Chapel, Church Street, Bethel.

In today's stressful environment of rising prices and other concerns, the committee considered this topic to be especially relevant. Stress and anxiety were high on the list of patient needs according to staff at the Bethel Family Health Center. Comments on evaluations of previous workshops also confirmed that people saw this as a need.

Wayne is well versed on the topic, having counseled clients for 14 years. He said: "High levels of stress have the capacity to destroy relationships as well as your health." In his talk he will explore the mind-body connection and provide suggestions for de-stressing one's life. This will include physical and psychological harmony; causes of anxiety, emotional stress and depression; and healing and restoration for total well-being.

Several follow-up workshops have also been planned to aid people in de-stressing. The first one will be held on Saturday, Nov. 8, with Betsey Foster, T'ai Chi and Qi Gong instructor giving a workshop on "Breath of Life — Breathing and Moving Meditation for Stress Reduction." A workshop on healthy exercise to be held in January by Jan Silas, Physical Therapist, is in the planning stages, and area restaurants are being polled for their interest in participating in a series of "Healthy Eating on a Budget" presentations next spring.

This series is sponsored as a community service by WMSC, Bethel Family Health Center, SAD44 Community Education and Wayne DuPlessis, counselor. The public is invited and admission is free. For more information, contact R. Tift at 824-2053.

From Bethel Historical Society's Regional History Center

Once again, as part of Harvest Fest on Sept. 20, the Bethel Historical Society observed its annual Apple and Pumpkin Festival. Executive Director Stanley R. Howe, as usual, did his annual cider-pressing demonstration throughout the day on the lawn of the O'Neil Robinson House using a press recently donated to the society by former president Alden T. Kennett. Pumpkin whoopee pies were on sale as usual. Much gratitude is extended to Rachel MacKay, Grace McKivergan and Mary Keniston for making this year's pies.

In the afternoon, Howe also added applesauce making to the offerings, especially for young children, who helped

with the process and added spices and/or sugar as desired for their own consumption. The apples for the applesauce and some of the apples for the cider were grown on the back lot of the Dr. Mason House. More than two hundred visitors stopped by to watch these demonstrations and to sample the cider and the sauce.

Maine Mountain Heritage Exhibit

An interactive exhibit created by community groups across the Maine Mountain Area will be on display at the Bethel Historical Society's Regional History Center's Robinson House from Sept. 9 through 26. Created by the Maine Mountain Heritage Network, the exhibit presents 18 stories and associated images that were submitted by local organizations from across the Maine Mountain Heritage Area (Franklin, Oxford, Piscataquis, and Somerset counties and nearby towns). Story subjects include natural history (moose and riverways), community origins (early immigration and community life), and local economies (logging and slate mining). The history of healing and tourism in Bethel is presented as one of these stories.

The Maine Mountain Heritage Traveling Exhibit is intended to raise awareness and deepen knowledge of the history and natural history of the Maine Mountains region. Organizations who participated in the creation of the exhibit include: Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce, the Bethel Historical Society, Center Theatre (Dover-Foxcroft), Jackman-Moose River Chamber of Commerce, Katahdin Cultural Center (Millinocket), Millinocket Area Growth and Investment Council, Maine Mountain Counties (Farmington), Natural Resource Education Center (Greenville), Northern Forest Center (Bethel), Old Canada Road Scenic Byway (Solon), Oxford Hills Chamber of Commerce, Rangeley Lakes Region Logging Museum, Rangeley Outdoors Sporting Heritage Museum, Skowhegan Heritage Council and the town of Skowhegan.

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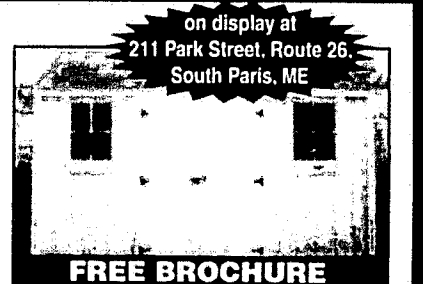
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The exhibit is a project of the Knowledge is Power group of the Maine Mountain Heritage Network. The Network is active on several fronts, looking for creative ways to bring new revenues into the mountain region. Other Network projects focus on investment in downtowns, planning for sustainable and productive use of natural resources, and the development of innovative business clusters in "signature" industries. For more information about the Network, go to www.mainemountains.org.

The exhibit will be open for much of September to the public during regular hours: Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to Noon and 1 to 4 p.m. All are welcome to stop by and gain insights into Maine's history and wildlife.

From

Gould Academy

Local abstract and landscape artist Mary Isham will display her work at the Owen Art Gallery at a reception at 7 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 26.

Isham's work celebrates the contrasting landscapes she's grown to love in western Maine and in Arizona where she spends her winters. "It's a whole different color pallet out there," she says of the rugged desert landscape in Arizona. "It's so different, the color of the skies, everything."

Through pastel, graphite and watercolor, Isham captures a sense of place in what she calls "formalized landscapes" that are inspired by the water, the trees, and the mountains.

Her exhibit will also feature abstract, three-dimensional sculptures made from Angora goat wool. For over 25 years she's worked with angora wool and is known for her unique spinning and dyeing. She will also exhibit some of her fiber painting where she creates abstract images by painting the yarn.

The exhibit will run until Friday, Oct. 24, 2008.

Mary Isham worked as a nurse at Gould Academy from 1980-1989 and is the parent of four Gould alumni and the grandparent of one Gould alumna.

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#	Name	Grade	Position
1	Bryce Walker	12	Forward
3	Ethan Morin	11	Forward
5	Deagan Conrad	12	Forward/Mid
6	Elek Pew	10	MidField
9	James Kimball (caption)	12	sweeper
11	Alex Gundersen (caption)	12	MidField
12	Ben Cross	12	Forward
13	Joel Putnam	11	MidField
14	Frankie Delduca	12	Forward/Mid
18	Patrick Gallagher	12	MidField
K	Dan Vaughn	10	GoalKeeper

School Lunch Week of Sept. 29

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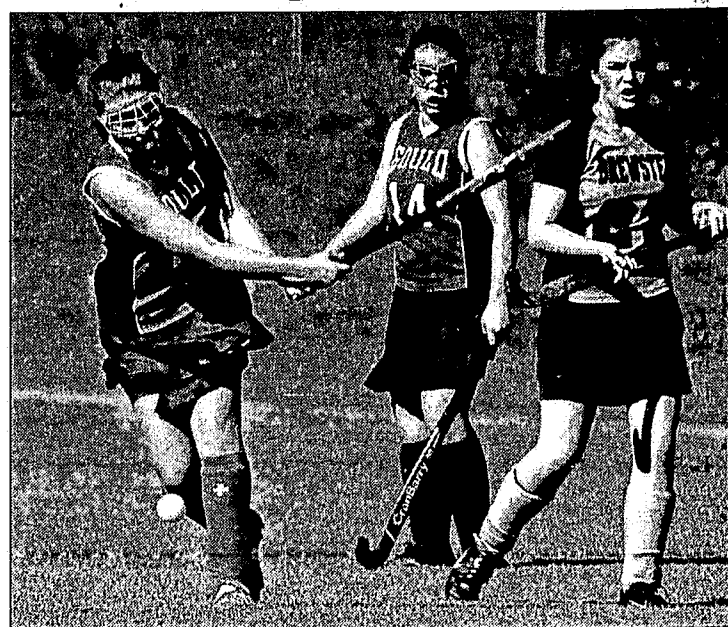
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Sports



TAKING HER SHOT—Gould Academy junior Stephanie Savage fires a shot on goal in a field hockey game last week against Brewster Academy. At right is sophomore Meghan Costello.

(Photo: Dirk MacKnight/Gould Academy)

High School Boys' Varsity Soccer

Gould 4, Telstar 0; Sept. 22—Gould welcomed Telstar to campus for a friendly game. This was a great opportunity for the men on both teams to compete in a fair manner. Gould began the game by keeping possession of the ball and creating some good scoring opportunity by using the flanks. Telstar was able to absorb the pressure and create some good counter attacks that resulted with one shot off the post and a few more opportunities. Nico Portuondo opened the scoring in the first half when Scooty Baribeau came forward from the back to win a ball and play a nice through ball to Nico in the box that he calmly tucked into the far post. Nico scored again before the end of the half to make the score 2-0. The second half saw both teams try to gain possession and create opportunities. Kevin Dawson and Sam Dasch combined well to get behind the Telstar defense and set up opportunities to extend the lead. About ten minutes into the second half Wongu Kim received a ball from Nick Milliken after a failed corner clearance attempt and took a good shot that the Telstar goalie was able to save, but Sam Dasch put in the rebound to make the score 3-0. Ten minutes later Ayumu Oda was taken down in the box and Hiroki Chiwaja scored on the ensuing penalty kick. The game ended 4-0 and was well played by both teams.—from Gould sports reports

Telstar 1, Georges Valley 1; Sept. 19—Telstar and Georges Valley played to a 1-1 tie after two overtime periods. Frankie DelDuca scored the only Rebel goal.

High School Boys' J.V. Soccer

Georges Valley 3, Telstar 1; Sept. 19—Telstar suffered its second defeat of the season at Georges Valley. The lone Telstar goal was scored by Casey Thornton on a pass from Daniel Vaughn.

High School Girls' Varsity Soccer

Gould 6, Tilton 7; Sept. 20—The first half scoring was back and forth with Tilton scoring first, score at halftime was 2-2. Gould goals scored by Hilary Reis and Taylor Aube. The second half began with Tilton on a four goal run making the score Gould 2-Tilton 6. Gould never gave up and came back with three in a row (2 goals by Sarah Doyon, 1 by Michelle Kravitz) in the last quarter of the game, to make it 6-5. Tilton then scored one more to make it (5-7). But Gould quickly scored in the last two minutes by Sarah Doyon to make the

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final 6-7. Both teams had many scoring opportunities. Gould came on very strong at the end, constantly putting the ball behind the Tilton defense and creating many one-on-one opportunities against their keeper. Notable play by many players, especially Sarah Doyon and Seana Siekman. Gould's varsity goalkeeper Carey Hadden came out early in the game due to an injury and Vicki MacDonald and Allie Shelley stepped up to contribute in goal and held off many shots by Tilton's offense. Scoring: Sarah Doyon 3 (hat trick), Michelle Kravitz 1, Hilary Reis 1, Taylor Aube 1.—from Gould sports reports

High School Varsity Field Hockey

Lisbon 2, Telstar 1; Sept. 22—Telstar suffered its first loss of the season. T.J. Cowin scored on an assist from Lindsay James to tie the score 1-1. Brianna Douglass had 9 saves in cage.—coach Gail Wight

Telstar 8, Hall-Dale 1; Sept. 17—Telstar scorers were Whitney Mills (4), T.J. Cowin (2), Felicia Dumont, and Taylor Maines. Assisting on the goals were T.J. Cowin, Kayla Merrill and Whitney Mills. Defense was led by Sam Largess, Aly Steven and Brianna Douglass with 5 saves in the cage.

Brewster 5, Gould 1; Sept. 17—The Gould Field Hockey team opened the season against a very strong Brewster team. Gould held Brewster scoreless for the first 21 minutes of the game with great defense and strong goal tending by Becch Anderson. Down by three at the half, Gould started off the second half with a great goal by Mallory Turndorf, set up nicely by Erin Smith. This narrowed the game to two goals, but the momentum was not enough to come back to beat Brewster.—from Gould sports reports

High School J.V. Field Hockey

Lisbon 5, Telstar 2; Sept. 22—Lisbon outscored Telstar 3-0 in the first half. In the second half, the Rebels tied Lisbon in goals scored, 2-2. Lyndsay Merrill and Katie Sumner were the scorers. Excellent game play by Victoria Forkus, Gail Lavorgna, Jean Lawrence, and Rose Wright. Great passing by the forward line.—coach Lori Davis

Telstar 2, Hall-Dale 0; Sept. 17—Telstar's Lyndsay Merrill scored two goals in the win over Hall-Dale. Naomi Ellsworth and Katlyn Sumner each had an assist. Echo Hoyt had four saves in goal for the shutout. Victoria Forkus, Susan Newkirk, and Hunter Verrill played an aggressive game as midfielders. Strong defensive support came from Gail Lavorgna, Jean Lawrence, and Kendra Carter.

High School Golf

Sept. 19—The Telstar golf team shot their best team total of the year but lost to a strong Winthrop team and to a good Livermore Falls team. Danny Whitney tied his match with Livermore after going 5 extra holes. Trevor Kendall shot a 41 and Danny shot a 42 for their best scores of the year. Josh Krahn with a 49 and Anthony Dirago with a 50 also shot their lowest total for the season.—coach Jim Lunney

Madison 5.5, Telstar 1.5; Carrabec 4, Telstar 3; Sept. 17—Telstar's Danny Whitney, Josh Krahn and Anthony Dirago each won their match vs. Carrabec but the team lost by team total to the Cobras. Against Madison, Asher Wilson won his match and Josh Krahn tied his.

Gould 4, Bridgton 2; Sept. 17—Kyle Anderson and new addition Eric Eramo played well. Lance Robinson and Tommy Voigt also won their matches.—from Gould sports reports

Gould 5, Kent's Hill 1; Sept. 22 (Varsity Co-ed)—Kyle Anderson, Eric Eramo, Phil Johnston, Tommy Voigt and Lance Robinson all won their matches. Newcomer Peter Brandes has lost his first two matches, both hard fought and each ending on the last hole.—from Gould sports reports

Gould Mountain Biking

Mountain Biking - Co-ed Sunday River; Sept. 20—Gould took second place. Varsity: third, Tom Duggan; fourth, Max Littlefield; eighth, Taylor Reis; ninth, Morgan Foote; DNF, Emory Schreiber. J.V.: third Scott Talbot; seventh, Oran Pierce; 11th, Nick Bradley; 13th, Thayer Flynn; 14th, Damian Drijas; 17th, Camden Varley-Harris; 22nd, Izzy Cohen; 26th, Alex Boghossian; 28th, James Abbot; 30th, Zack Parker; 32nd, Catherine Harnden; 34th, Peter Vertrees; 37th, Evan Gorski; 40th, Spencer Scribner.

TMS J.V. Soccer

Telstar 10, Livermore Falls 0; Sept. 19—Telstar goals were scored by Eric Lowell, Liam Gallagher, Max Southam, Echo Pelc, Alexandra Leff, Aaron Speakman, and two each by Maisey Griffin and Casey Blaszcak. The combined shut out in goal was an effort from Echo

Pelc and Kiersten Drapeau. It was an excellent and well-rounded team effort.—coach Mark Kenney

TMS 1, Jay 0; Sept. 17—The lone goal was scored by Max Southam assisted by Liam Gallagher. The shutout in goal was a combined effort by Echo Pelc and Kiersten Drapeau. Great offensive and defensive pressure by the entire team.—coach Mark Kenney

TMS 2, Dirigo 1; Sept. 15—Telstar's Liam Gallagher started first with a penalty kick, and later in the second half Maisey Griffin crashed the net following her own shot to put in the back of the net. Echo Pelc and Kiersten Drapeau shared duties in goal doing an excellent job. Great defense from Nick Johnson, Jenny Wakefield, Abby Ford, and Grace Connors. Offensive pressure also from Gretel Williams, Eric Lowell, Eliza Miele, Max Southam, and Casey Blaszcak.

TMS Varsity Soccer

Telstar 5, Livermore Falls 0; Sept. 19—Telstar goals were scored by Doug Gardner with 3, Josef Andrews with 1, and Travis Brown with 1. Assists by Doug Gardner and Cathryn Haberman-Fake. Ricky James shutout Livermore with an amazing game in goal. Great game by all.—coach Mark Kenney

Telstar 3, Jay 1; Sept. 18—Telstar goals were scored by Nik Conrad with two and Doug Gardner with one. Assists by T.C. Wilson, Josef Andrews, and Cathryn Haberman-Fake. Great game by all.—coach Mark Kenney

Telstar 4, Dirigo 2; Sept. 15—Telstar goals were scored by Doug Gardner, Nik Conrad, and Tyler James. Assists were made by Nik Conrad, Anna Saucier, TC Wilson, and Cathryn Haberman-Fake. Great game was played by all.

Youth Football

Woodstock Wolfpack 36, Carrabec 6; Sept. 20—Woodstock evened their record at 1-1 with a convincing 36-6 win over the Carrabec Cobras in Anson. Nick Mills opened the scoring with a 25-yard dash down the left sideline on the first possession of the day. On Carrabec's first play, defensive tackle Kurt Morgan broke through and caused a fumble recovered by Woodstock who then scored again 3 plays later on a 32-yard swing pass to Nick Mills from his brother Zack for a quick 16-0 lead in the first quarter. Fullback Will Lyman bulled it in from 5 yards out to start the 2nd quarter, making the score 22-0. The score then went to 28-0 after a pretty 35-yard TD strike from Zack Mills to split end Bronson Dean running a slant pattern. The play was set up by an interception after Alex Gaudreau plucked a Carrabec pass deflected by Kurt Morgan. Dom Haines closed the first half with a 70-yard punt return, putting Woodstock up 36-0 at the mid point. Excellent performances were given by all players. Defensively, Tyler Cherkis registered 10 tackles and Kurt Morgan caused a fumble and an interception. Offensively, the blocking was crisp and the running was hard. With starting QB Dom Haines nursing a sore throwing shoulder, Zack Mills stepped in admirably by throwing two touchdown passes and running the offense efficiently.—coach Jim Rose

5th & 6th Grade Greenwood Spartans

Rumford 20, Greenwood 6; Sept. 2—1 The Greenwood Spartans lost a tough game to the Rumford Falcons on Sunday, but anyone who watched the game would say that the score did not resemble how close the game really was. It was a one touchdown game for over three quarters of the game. "This team has got heart and plays tough. It was a hard-fought game for us and the team did really well especially considering that we had multiple players suffering from flu-like symptoms." (Coach Bennett) The Spartans touchdown came from a 60 yard kickoff return by Cameron Pike. Kaleb Currier and Cyle Marriott both ran the ball well for the Spartans. Zac Wheeler and David

Pilgrim led the Spartans defense with some really hard hits and a lot of tackles. The Spartans next game is this Sunday at Telstar High School, starting at 2 p.m.—J. Eliot (Spartans Football)

3rd & 4th Grade Greenwood Spartans

Greenwood 18, Rumford 6; Sept. 21—The 3rd & 4th grade Spartans improved their record to 3-0 after a decisive victory over the defending league champion Rumford Oilers. "The key to this win was both our offensive and defensive lines, they both dominated the ball and did not allow any penetration. It's exciting to see everything clicking." (Coach Forbes) "This group executes well and looks sharp on the field. I hope the fans realize that our defense did not give up any points this game. The only Oiler score came on a turnover by the offense." (Coach Bean) Tanner Wheeler added two more touchdowns to his total and got an interception to help the defense. Hunter Williamson ran for another touchdown by ducking in behind his blockers and then shooting through the hole they created. Elijah Mason had a couple of nice passes to Alex McNally who had a couple of nice catches. Next game is this Sunday, September 28, at Telstar High School. Kick-off is at 12:30. J. Eliot (Spartans Football)



OVER THE TOP—Woodstock Wolfpack's Dominic Haines leaps a defender on a run in Saturday's Youth Football game at Carrabec. Woodstock won, 36-6. (Photo: J. Haines)

At college

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Kelsey Dole, daughter of Kelly Dole of Bethel and James Dole of Concord, N.H., is spending the fall 2008 semester studying abroad in Galway, Ireland, through a program run by Saint Michael's College. Dole is a student at National University of Ireland. She is a junior business administration major at St. Michael's.

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Of course you've never heard of Amendments XXVIII, XXIX or XXX. Nor have you ever heard of Mike's unnumbered amendment. It has prompted no discussion among constitutional lawyers. The pundits have never written a word on it. Editorialists are unaware of its existence. No state legislature has ever voted on it.

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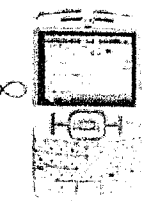
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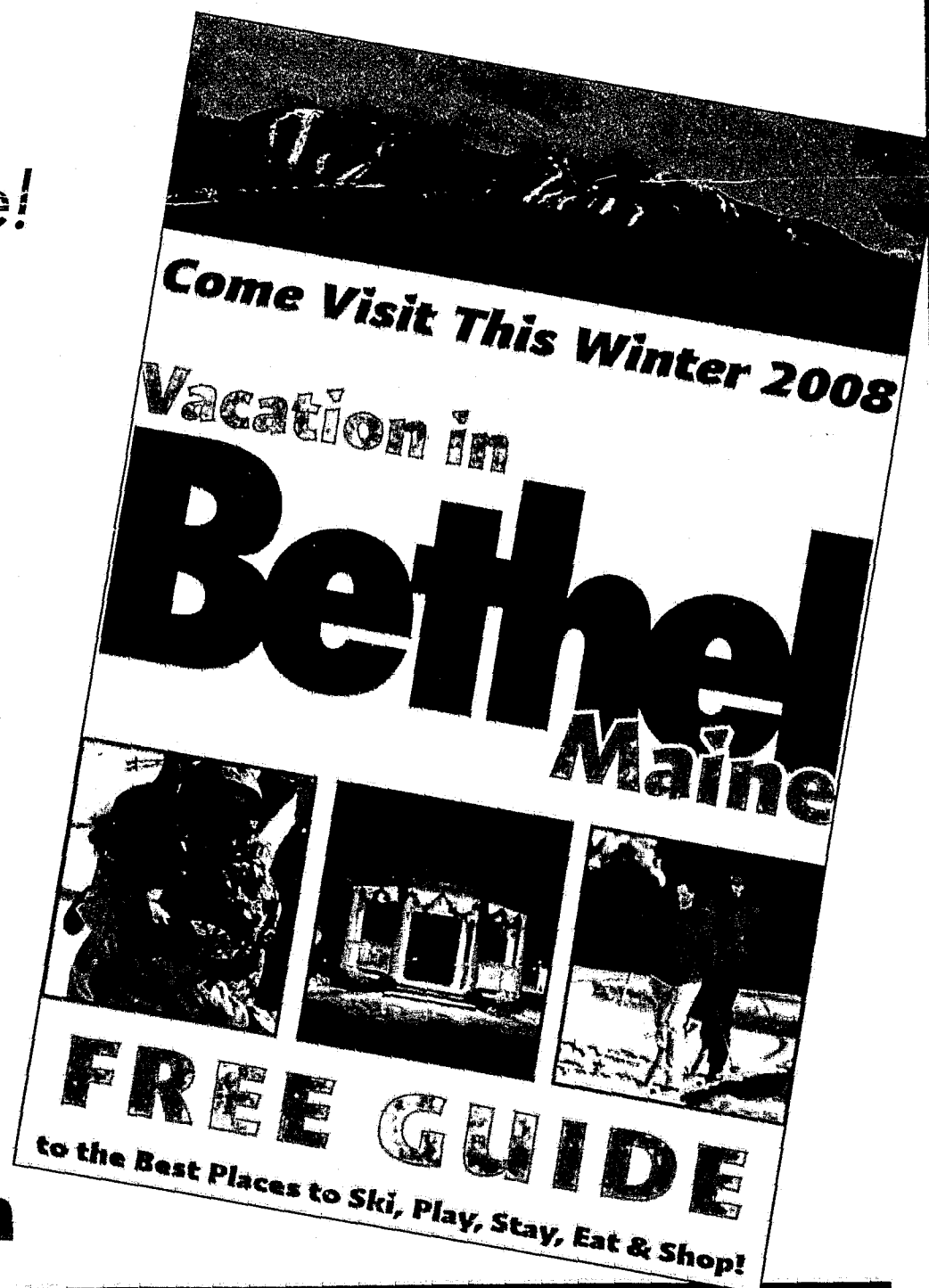
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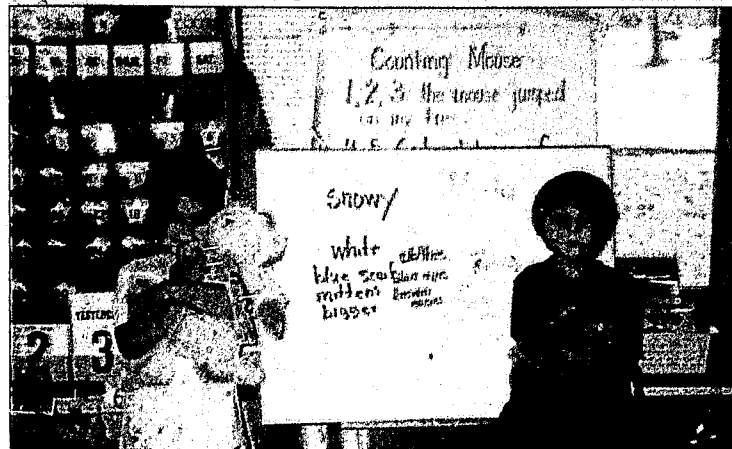
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Students in first grade do lots of writing. Seated in the Author's Chair in Mrs. Salway's classroom at CPS, Jack Mallory shares his writing about a summer activity.



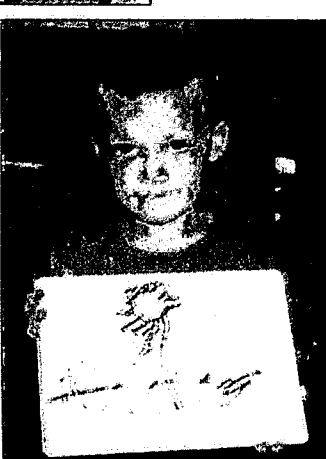
Kindergarteners at Crescent Park have been immersed in math activities since the onset of school. Students recently brought in a favorite teddy bear to share and, as pictured here, two were chosen to be used in a "compare and contrast" Venn Diagram.



Kindergarten student Julia Putnam understands patterns as demonstrated by these two "ABAB" frog patterns.



Mrs. Smith's Kindergarten at CPS has been working on patterns and creating with pattern blocks. Here are Henry Botka and Chase Ormiston working together.



Kindergartner Tanner McLean is proud of his attempt at drawing as he displays his marker board picture.

WOODSTOCK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



It is Reading Buddies Time at Woodstock School. Every Friday the fifth graders join the kindergarten students to share some great literature. Pictured here are fifth grader, Anna Tyrina and her reading buddy, Emalee Coffin.



It was the Kick-Off Celebration for Woodstock School's Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Grant! The fifth graders put on a skit to introduce the students to this healthy way of eating. Wearing costumes are: Reggie Westleigh, Cameron Pike, Anna Tyrina, Anna Harren, Kaylee Haas, Monica Frazer, Mariah Millett, Mrs. Littlehale.



These Woodstock third graders are munching on corn on the cob which was provided by the Woodstock School's Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Grant. The corn was part of the Kick-Off Assembly for the grant. Enjoying their fresh corn are Blake Rothwell, Tanner Kist, Russell Cushman, and Duncan Forbes.

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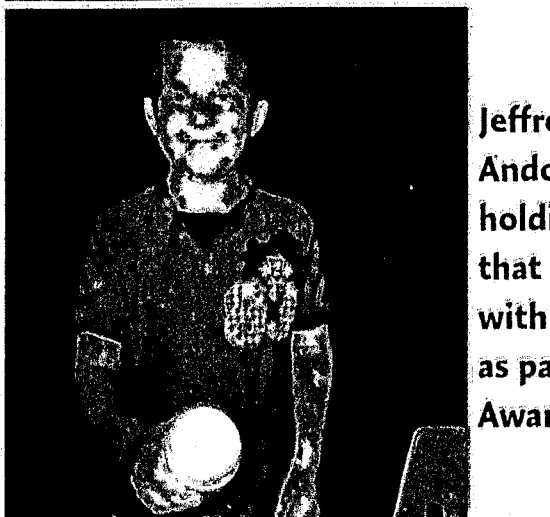
Andover fifth graders Kylee, Brianna, Cassidy, Sara, Dakota, Josh, Alan, Lisa, Carl work together at Camp Susan Curtis to cross over the "peanut butter monster!"



Natausha Cogley, 2nd Grader at Andover Elementary shaking it up! She's seen here shaking a container of whipping cream to make homemade butter. She is a student in Ms. Perry's class.



Jacob Rainey, 3rd grader at Andover Elementary enjoying his homemade butter with crackers. "Delicious!" he says. He is a student in Ms. Perry's class.



Jeffrey Stetson, 2nd Grader at Andover Elementary is shown holding a cup full of butter that he and his class made with teacher, Jolene Perry, as part of their Agricultural Awareness Week

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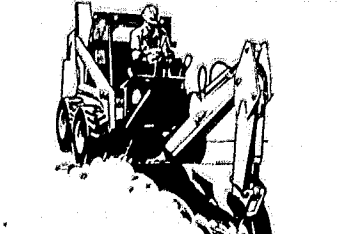
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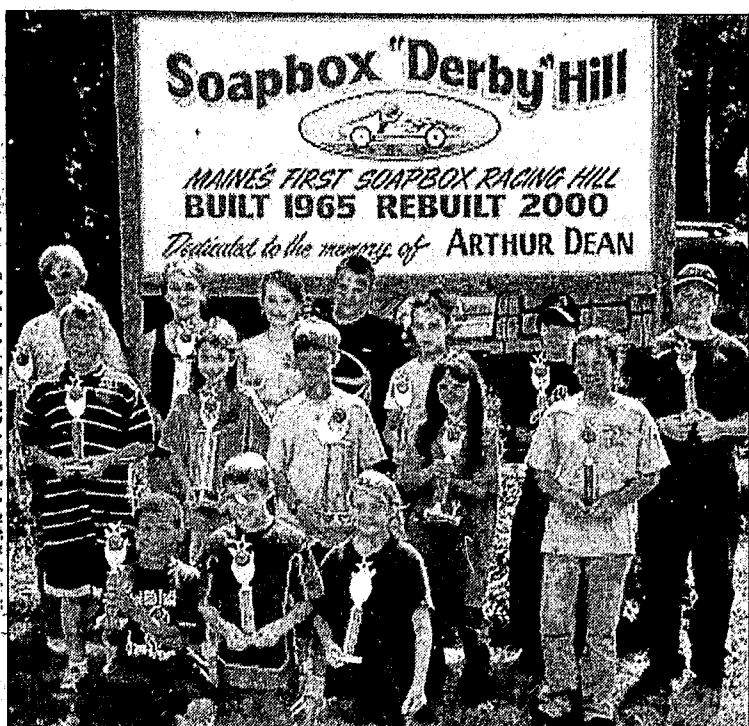
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Review

'New England Primer,' by Bruce Guernsey

By DICK TAYLOR

Bruce Guernsey, who lives up on Paradise Road, has published a new volume of poetry entitled "New England Primer." A primer is usually a small school text of basic principles on a given subject in the form of examples, essential problems, or instructive anecdotes. Guernsey's poems have nothing about the classroom or teaching about them, however, and their simplicity is elemental, not a bit elementary. By that I mean a simple scene becomes a sort of keyhole, or knot hole in the board fence: with your eye up close another world on the other side opens up, not seldom in contrast and more bleak, and certainly a deeper vision, one your own curiosity lures you into seeing — age, remembering earlier times, senses its own time coming closer, both ominous and worthy of reverence. In "Oatmeal," for example, the warm kitchen scene of a mother serving oatmeal to children shifts sharply to her bed-ridden father upstairs, waiting for his oatmeal, his false teeth like ice cubes sitting in a glass. Hunting on a deer stand in November becomes entangled with remembering the November of JFK's assassination, from Oswald's perspective shared from behind the cross hairs. Ice fishing transforms the hole into an investigation of seeing and the eyes, ours, the fish's, and what it wants to see. The fisherman is jiggling the line to catch some sort of answer. In "Pasquaney" he is fishing again, this time at night for bass. His bait descending to the bottom triggers a memory of swimming there, along with drop-off, as a young boy, his and a father's and grandfather's favorite lake and their common memory, now lost forever deep beneath a modern reservoir.

These pictures show us human gestures, a sort of semaphore of vision and memory. More explicit are actual takes of the past, like the poem from which the book takes its title. The stubborn and weird last Puritan has a glass coffin made for himself. His reasons and the responses of those who see him are gathered from various reports which have come to be taken as history ("his fame like sin spread far and wide," "the story goes," ".... but most they tell ... "and, its said, ... "the old folks nod"). The power of ghoulish mystery, its origins and meaning, becomes clear, and just as clearly our own fascination, fear and need of it. Our personal and community history importantly includes "our" strangest events and tales. Reading this poem, I could not help but recall the story of Dr. George Gehring from the days leading up to 1900. After studying hypnosis in the treatment of nervous disorders in Germany, he gave a presentation on the subject to a gathering of Bethel citizens. Challenging a raucous disbeliever to himself by a test subject, the good doctor, doubtless with both pleasure and spite, left him in the store window "asleep" for the afternoon for all to see ... or so the story goes.

These poems are, above all, very accessible, for they have a familiar ring to them. They start from or go to scenes and places any of us has been in and remembered. They come alive in common images and activities of rural New England and adjust them into lenses suddenly sharp which reveal something fresh about our complicated lives, their routine, tragedy, surprise, mystery, resilience, and more than anything, their quiet tenacity. And first requirement for any of these, any of us knows, is patience, and these poems exist in similar patience, hunter, fisherman, grown son. If you read them, and wait, you will hear the twig snap, feel the sudden tug of your line.

(Note: A poem from 'New England Primer' can be found on the following page.)

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7 p.m. — Norway Open Mic Night at First Universalist Church, 479 Main Street, Norway. Sign-up for performers begins 6:30 p.m. \$3 donation at the door, refreshments available. FMI: call 935-4505 or e-mail vesselrecordings@yahoo.com.

Saturday, Sept. 27

9 a.m. — 22nd annual Maine Children's Cancer Program's walk beginning/ending at Elks Lodge, Rumford. Registration underway. All walkers who raise \$50 or more receive free T-shirt. Pre-registration begins at 8 a.m. Walkers asked to collect contributions. Walkers walk as a team or individually. FMI or registration form: call Sandee Welch (364-2548) or register online at www.mmc.org/mccp. If unable to participate, contributions are accepted via credit card through the same website.

9 to 12 a.m. — Hazardous Waste Collection. Residents of Bethel, Greenwood, Hanover, Newry and Woodstock dispose of accumulated poisons, pesticides and paints at SAD44 Bus Barn, corner Main and Cross streets, Bethel. Free, but towns reserve right to limit excessive quantities. FMI: call AVCOG at 783-9186 or visit www.avcog.org.

4th annual Funky Red Barn Golf Tournament at Bethel Inn and Country Club. FMI and details: visit funkyredbarn.com.

2 to 9 p.m. — Crescent Park School 1964 8th Grade Reunion at Bill and Vicky Myers' home, 64 Birch Street, Lake Christopher, Bryant Pond. Potluck open house. FMI: call 665-2808.

Northern Forest Heritage Park, 961 Main Street, Berlin, N.H., Wingzilla, a chicken wing cook-off, horseshoe and chicken dance

It's always wise to call ahead

Listings in The Citizen's weekly Community Calendar are compiled from a wide variety of sources. While we do our utmost to ensure the reliability of the information presented here, we recognize that when dealing with such a large volume of material, some inaccuracies will occasionally creep in. And in other cases, a sponsoring organization's plans may change between the time The Citizen is printed and the event is held.

Accordingly, we strongly urge our readers to call ahead to verify the details of any event they plan to attend. Doing so will greatly reduce the chance of disappointment or needless inconvenience.

contest, with cash prizes for all. Plenty of food, soft drinks and a beer tent. No admission fee for Wingzilla. FMI: call Dick Huot at (603) 723-7787.

7 p.m. — Homecoming Dance at Telstar Regional High School.

Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 27 and 28

Ellis River Riders 2-day Horse Show, Airport Road, Andover. Saturday: Open Show all English/Jumping classes. Sunday: Open Show all Western classes. Shows free to spectators. Parking, seating, food available. FMI: 392-2381 or visit www.ellisriverriders.com.

Sunday, Sept. 28

10 a.m. to 6 p.m. — Alpaca Gathering hosted by Eastern Alpaca Events (EAE) in celebration of National Alpaca Day at Oakhill Alpaca Ranch, Shapleigh, Maine. Pen sale, fiber artist demonstrations, seminars, children activities and much more. No Charge. Visit www.abenaqualpacas.com or call 490-1739 to learn more.

9th annual Lumberjack Festival and Competition hosted by Northern Forest Heritage Park, 961 Main Street, Berlin, N.H. Chopping, chainsaw, cross-cut saw and axe throwing events. Fry Pan Throwing for ladies and Log Toss for men. Food, soft drinks and a beer tent. Admission: \$5 adults and under 12 free when accompanied by adult. Lumberjack Breakfast (\$8) begins 8 a.m. at Lumberjack Cookhouse.

6 p.m. — Concert by Fred Merrill at Bethel Church of the Nazarene.

Monday, Sept. 29

10 a.m. — Essentials of College Planning Free Workshop, for qualified adults at South Paris Career Center, 232 Main Street, South Paris. FMI and to register: call (800) 281-3703 or visit http://meoc.maine.edu.

6 to 7 p.m. — Sundown Squadron of Civil Air Patrol membership information night at Gould Academy. Leadership opportunities, aerospace education at Gould Academy, orientation flights out of the Bethel Airport, search and rescue exercises around the state and learn military customs and courtesies. Adults participate in aerospace education as well and get training in the many facets of search and rescue relief. Adult members also work with cadets on missions of Civil Air Patrol. The website is www.gocivilairpatrol.com. FMI: call Lt. Jeremy Huston at 357-3785.

Sunday, Sept. 28 thru Saturday, Oct. 5

Fryeburg Fair. Exhibit halls, museums, midway, livestock shows, harness racing, nightly entertainment, etc. FMI: visit www.fryeburgfair.com.

Tuesday, Sept. 30

2 p.m. — Bethel Stamp Club meeting at Bethel Historical Society's O'Neil Robinson House. FMI: call Nancy Mercer at 824-3350.

6:15 p.m. — Sweet Adelines International's Mollycoddett Chorus will perform a short program and teach guests a simple song to perform with the chorus at The Church of Latter Day Saints, Skeetfield Road, Oxford. Refreshments served.

Wednesday, Oct. 1

Holy Savior School, Rumford, is selling raffle tickets to give residents a chance to win a Longaberger basket or pottery each day during November. The tickets are \$6 each or two for \$10. Those who win an item will have their ticket put back in for more chances. Tickets available at the school, Davis Florist, Oxford Lanes and Hair Design, or call Catherine Ross at 357-6228.

5:30 to 7:30 p.m. — "How Anxiety and Stress Can Affect Your Life," a workshop presented by Wayne DuPlessis, counselor, will launch this year's new series by the To Your Health Committee of the Western Mountains Senior College (WMSC) will be held at West Parish Congregational Church, Garland Chapel, Church Street, Bethel. FMI: call Rosabelle Tift at 824-2053.

Thursday, Oct. 2

4:30 to 6 p.m. — "A Visit to Safe Passage," Hanely Denning's program to save Guatemala City's dump children, topic of Down Home Maine program sponsored by Western Mountains Senior College at the Rooster's Roadhouse private dining room, 159 Mayville Road, Route 2, Bethel. Pat and Henry Stewart, program volunteers, will share experiences and show the Academy Award nominated film, "A Recycled Life." Cash bar and light hors d'oeuvres. FMI: cash bar and light hors d'oeuvres available. FMI: call 665-2181 or 836-2576.

6 p.m. — Patrick Ross, fiddler, will perform at Errol Town Hall, presented by town of Errol and Errol Consolidated School, and will feature Errol students, who have been working with Ross. Bake sale and coffee offered by Errol Lock-Up Renovation Committee. FMI:

American Life in Poetry

Selection and comments by Ted Kooser, U.S. Poet Laureate 2004-2006

Mothers and fathers grow accustomed to being asked by young children, "What's that?" Thus parents relearn the world by having to explain things they haven't thought about in years. In this poem the poet Bruce Guernsey looks closely at common, everyday moss and tries to explain its nature for us. I admire the way the poem deepens.

Moss

How must it be
to be moss,
that slipcover of rocks?—
imagine,

greening in the dark,
longing for north,
the silence
of birds gone south.

How does moss do it,
all day
in a dank place
and never a cough?—

a wet dust
where light fails,
where the chisel
cut the name.

(Note: The poet has a home in Bethel, and this poem is part of his new collection, "New England Primer," which is reviewed on the previous page.)

call 482-3884.

Friday, Oct. 3

5 to 8 p.m. — Frost Farm Gallery, Pikes Hill, Norway will hold "First Friday" reception at the gallery. The exhibit and sale will feature plein air landscapes of Maine and other works by Janet Gill. Opening free and open to public. Light refreshments. FMI: call the gallery at 743-8041.

Saturday, Oct. 4

9:30 a.m. — Fall Foliage Flotilla on Lower Magalloway River and Lake Umbagog and the Androscoggin River sponsored by Mahoosuc Land Trust. Bring own canoe or kayak, a personal flotation device and lunch. Meet at Mahoosuc Guide Service, Route 26, Newry, 7 miles north of Route 2. FMI or to register: call Mahoosuc Land Trust at 824-3806 or e-mail info@Mahoosuc.org.

Monday, Oct. 6

10 a.m. — Essentials of College Planning Free Workshop, for qualified adults at South Paris Career Center, 232 Main Street, South Paris. FMI and to register: call (800) 281-3703 or visit http://meoc.maine.edu.

Wednesday, Oct. 8

11 a.m. — Bethel Senior Citizens Club meeting/dinner (\$8) at Pleasant Valley Grange Hall in West Bethel. The speaker will be someone from the Conservation School in Bryant Pond.

Wednesday, Oct. 8 and Thursday, Oct. 16

Telstar High School Fall Parent/Teacher Conferences on Oct. 8 from 5 to 8:30 p.m. and Oct. 16 from 4 to 7:30 p.m. Parents and guardians may call for appointments beginning Monday, Sept. 29. Dial 824-2136 ext. 305 and press 1 for the high school office.

More Community Calendar

An extended version of this week's Community Calendar can be found on our homepage: bethelcitizen.com.

Support Services

ABUSED WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT

AWAP serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5086; 24 hour hotline 1-800-559-2927

AA MEETINGS

Bethel Freedom Group's Big Book Meeting Sundays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street.

Bethel Freedom Group's Speaker/Discussion Meeting. Tuesdays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street.

Bethel Freedom Group's 12 Step/Traditions Meeting. Fridays at 6pm at Bethel United Methodist Church.

ADDICTION HELP

Narconon, a nonprofit public benefit organization that specializes in helping people with drug or alcohol addictions offers FREE assessments and more than 11,000 local referrals through the 800 line. Drug addiction can be overcome and Narconon can help. Call (800) 556-8885 or visit www.drugrehab.net

EXCHANGES

District Exchange Community Thrift Shop accepts donations of in-season clothing in clean, wearable condition only. Drop-off hours and shopping: Monday 1-4pm, Thursday 4-6pm and Saturday, 10am-12pm.

The Woodstock Seventh Day Adventist Church Community Service Center announces that individuals or families requiring assistance with food needs in the South Woodstock, Bryant Pond, West Paris and Sumner areas are invited to call 674-2566, 674-2663, or 665-2226 to learn more details.

MS SUPPORT GROUP

Meets the first Friday of the month from 1-2:30pm at the West Parish Congregational Church, next to Gould Academy. For more information, call Darcy Lund at 439-2888.

MENTAL ILLNESS SUPPORT GROUP

Beacon House Social Club, 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a drop-in social club for adults suffering with mental, emotional, or physical illness, provides support, relaxation, and socialization. Monday 1 to 5pm; Tuesday 9am-2pm; Wednesday 9am-8pm; Wednesday 3-8pm; Friday 2-7pm; Saturday 11am-4pm. Oxford County Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness, same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday 8am-4pm. For more information, call 364-3549 or (800) 335-9999, or in off-hours 928-3222.

POST PARTUM SUPPORT GROUP

"Meet the Midwives" meets from 5-6:30 every first Tuesday of the month, and the Post Partum Support Group meets every fourth Wednesday of the month from 6:30-7:30. The meetings take place at Blue Moon Midwives, 176 Main Street, Norway, directly across from Stephen's Memorial Hospital. For more information, call 207-739-2800 or visit www.bluemoonmidwives.com

REACH

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

VETERANS' SERVICES (STATE/VA BENEFITS)

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, first Wednesday each month, 9-12 noon (743-6300); Career Center in Rumford (364-3718), second Thursday 9-12 noon; Lewiston (795-4590), 29 Westminster St., 7:30am to 4pm, Monday thru Friday, Location: Monday-Sunday School 2:45-4:15pm. Tel. 392-4841.

Library Hours

Andover Library: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturday 1-4:30pm; Thursday 1-4:30 & 6-8 pm. Tel. 392-4841

Bethel Library: Monday 9-1; Tuesday 1-5; Wednesday 1-8; Thursday & Friday 1-5 Saturday, 9-1. Story Hour Mondays, 10-11am October to May. Michelle Conroy, Librarian. 824-2520.

Hamlin Memorial Library, Paris Hill: Tuesday-Friday 11:30-5:30 Saturday 10-2; Wednesday evening, 7-9 pm. Tel. 743-2980

Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond: Tel. 665-2505. Tuesday 1:30-5; Thursday 1:30-7.

West Paris Library, West Paris: Monday 1:30-5; Wednesday 1:30-7; Friday 1:30-5; Saturday 10-2. 674-2004

Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, Hanover: Wednesday, 9-3.

Upton Library: Wednesday, 2-6, Children's Hour 1-2; Saturday 2-4.

Church Services

ALBANY

Congregational Church - Hunts Corner, 9:30am. Sunday worship and Sunday School at 9am; Pastor Eddie Gammon. Bible Study 6:30 Thursdays at the home of Fernand Corriveau.

ANDOVER

First Congregational Church Rev. Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship 10 to 11 a.m. followed by brunch. All are welcome. FMI: 392-3761.

Calvary Bible Church - Pastor Ken Wagstaff. Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Sunday worship 10:45 a.m., followed by brunch; Wednesday prayer meeting 6:30 p.m. Rt. 5, S. Andover. 392-1121.

BETHEL

Bethel Alliance Church - Rev. Kevin Belling. Sundays: Sunday School for adults and children at 9am; Morning worship service at 10am; Kidz Klub (4 yrs-5th grade) at 5:30pm; Prayer fellowship Wednesdays at 7pm; Sundays: Youth Group (6th-12th grade) at 5:30pm. For more information call 824-2289

Church of the Nazarene - Pastor Chuck Mason, 9:30 am. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. morning worship. Wednesday evening service in different locations. Call for info. 824-4028 (voice mail) or 824-7289 FMI.

West Parish Congregational - Rev. Virginia Rickman. 10 a.m. worship, child care available. Prayer, Tuesday, 8 a.m. FMI call 824-0550.

Our Lady of the Snows - Saturday mass at 6 p.m. Rev. Angelo Leveseur. 364-4556.

United Methodist - Geoffrey Gross, Pastor. 10:30 a.m. Sunday worship. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.

West Bethel Union - Morning worship and 9 a.m. Sunday School. For information, call 836-3533 or 836-2882. Rev. John Williams.

Pleasant Valley Bible - Pastor Aaron McNally. Sunday Services: Sunday School 9am; Worship Service, 10am; Ladies Bible study Tuesday, 2:30pm; Prayer meeting Tuesday 6pm; Awana clubs follow school-year calendar. FMI 836-3006 or 824-3037.

Episcopal House Church - Holy communion service the third or fourth Sunday of every month at 4 p.m. at 38 Chapman Street. For further information, call the Reverend Gwyneth Bohr at 824-2913.

Church of Christ - at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mills Road (Route 26), Bethel. Worship at 9 a.m. Sunday. 824-3577 FMI.

Seventh Day Adventist Fellowship: Meets at the Nazarene Church on Saturdays, on Church Street in Bethel. For more info, call 824-8939.

EAST STONEHAM

Oxford County United Parish Churches in Stoneham and North Waterford - Services at 10 a.m. at the North Waterford Congregational Church (UCC), located on the Five Kezars Road, off Routes 35 & 37, opposite Melby's Market. Services held at North Waterford through the winter months. Choir practice 9am, followed by Bible Study at 9:15am.

GORHAM, NH

Assembly of God - Pastor Paul Levigen. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday service

10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m., Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m. FMI 603-466-2851.

Gorham Congregational Church - Interim minister Rev. Kent Schneider. Sunday morning worship and church school at 10:30am. Communion is celebrated the first Sunday of each month. FMI 603-466-2136.

HARRISON

Bolster's Mills United Methodist Church - Bolster's Mills Road, Harrison. Rev. Walter R. Brown, Pastor. Sunday worship at 8:45 a.m. Church school 10:15 a.m. for kids kindergarten - grade 12. Call 583-9024 or 998-7040 for more info.

LOCKE MILLS

Locke Mills Union - Rev. Frank Haines Sunday morning service will begin at 9a.m. Bible study at the church is every Tuesday at 6:30pm. Everyone is welcome.

MEXICO

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints - 265 Main Street. Worship service Sundays at 10am. Pres. Peter Beeckel. 364-5881.

NEWRY

Sunday River Christian Ministry - Weddings, Baptisms, Funerals, etc. held in mountainous settings, riverside, or your choice by Reverend Don Coverdale. Cell phone: 781-710-8086. Interdenominational church services will be held in the Upper Room of the River House, South Ridge area, on Sunday, December 23 at 10:30am and every Sunday thereafter until March 30. Watch here for details or call 824-5895 (machine). Peace be with you!

NORWAY/PARIS

First Church of Christ, Scientist - Sunday service 10 a.m., Wed. Testimony service 7:30 p.m. 5 Morrill Rd./Rt. 118 (catercorner to Norway Country Club), Norway. Call 824-4099 FMI or ride.

Trinity Lutheran Church - Route 117, S. Paris. Pastors Kim Marie and Tom Myhre. Sunday School at 9am; Sunday morning service 10:15 a.m. with coffee, refreshments and good fellowship. Bible Study, Wednesdays 7 p.m.

North Paris Federation - Morse Hill Road, North Paris. Sunday Service 8 a.m. Pastor Bruce Tyner. 674-2968. Singers perform third Sunday each month alternating with West Paris Baptist Church at 7 p.m.

Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers) - Sunday worship 9:30 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, S. Paris across the park from the Post Office. Call Ursula Brandon at 665-2880 or Sue Reilly at 966-2012 for more information.

Christ Episcopal Church - 35 Paris St., Sunday Services 9 a.m., June-Aug.; Sunday School at 10 a.m. Informal worship at 5 p.m. Sundays. Healing service with communion 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday. Rev. Anne Stanley. Call 743-6782 for more information.

First Baptist Church of Paris - On the Common at the top of Paris Hill. 10:30 am worship service. Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Coffee hour follows the service. Fellowship lunch held the first Sunday of each month

following worship. Pastor Ron Blake.

St. Catherine's - Saturday 6 p.m. Vigile Mass; Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass. Unitarian Universalist Church of Norway - 11am worship. (Sept. - June) Child care is provided. Religious education classes 11am-12:15pm. FMI 743-2828.

OXFORD

St. Mary's - Saturday 4 p.m. Vigile Mass. Our Lady of Ransom: Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass.

RUMFORD

St. Barnabas Episcopal Church - Holy Communion, 8:30 a.m. Rev. Tim Parsons, Priest-in-charge. Special holidays will be announced. Stone church at the Rev.

RUMFORD CENTER

Praise Assembly of God - Pastor Justin Thacker. Adult and teen Sunday school 9am. Sunday worship service at 10am. Sunday prayer meeting at 8pm. Wednesday night bible study and youth group 7pm. 170 Andover Road. FMI call 364-3655 or see our website at www.praiseassemblyofgod.net.

RUMFORD POINT

Ramford Point Church - Sunday service, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Pastor Frank Haines.

SUMNER

East Sumner Congregational - Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday service, 9 a.m.

WEST PARIS

Unitarian Universalist Church of West Paris - 9 a.m. worship. Rev. Richard Beal, 674-2143.

West Paris Baptist - Sunday Worship 9:15 am., Bruce Tyner, Pastor. Sunday School Preschool thru kindergarten 9:45am. Sunday School Grades 1-6, 10:25am. Sunday evening worship 7:30 p.m.; Monday Diaconette meeting first Monday of the month. Tuesday ladies fellowship meets the fourth Tuesday of every month. Tea & Toys Time Bi-Weekly 9:30-11:30am. Adult Choir Wednesday evenings, Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer 7pm, church business meetings the third Wednesday of the month.

West Paris Congregational Church - Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday Worship 9 a.m.; Sunday School 10 a.m.

WOODSTOCK

Bryant Pond Baptist - Pastor Larry Hodgkins, Sundays: Sunday School 9:15 a.m., Morning Worship 10:30 a.m., Evening Service 8:00 p.m.; Wednesdays: Prayer & bible study 6:30 p.m.; Fridays: Youth Group 7-12th grade, 6:30pm

Woodstock Seventh day Adventist - Pastor Richard Wright (207-797

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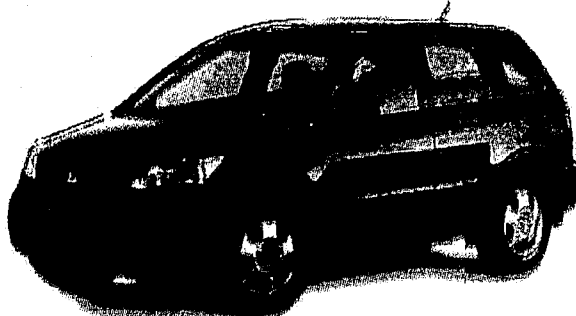
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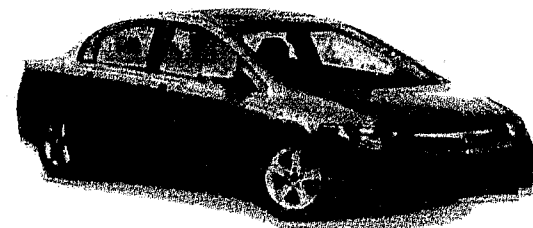


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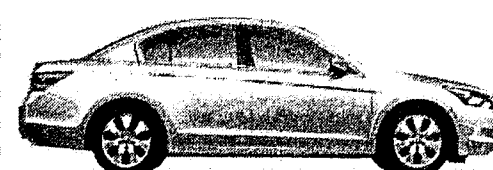
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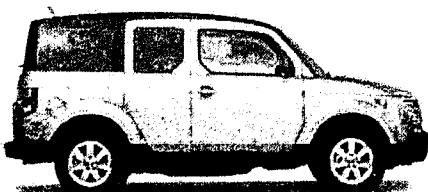
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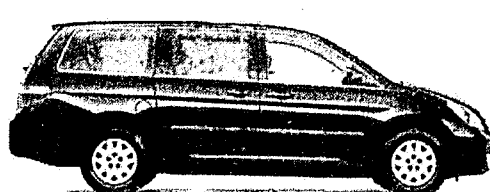
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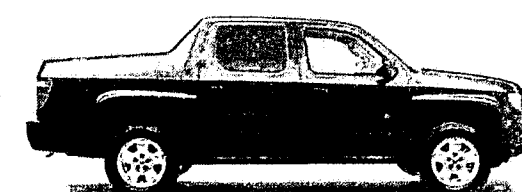
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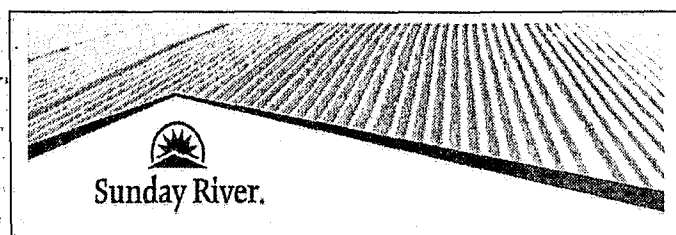
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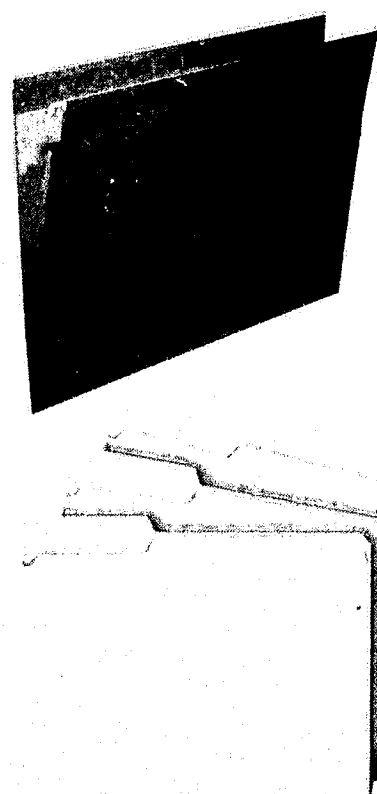
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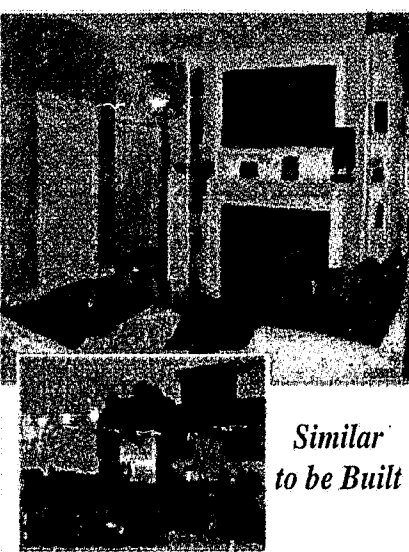
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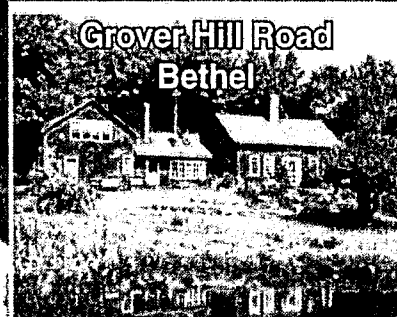
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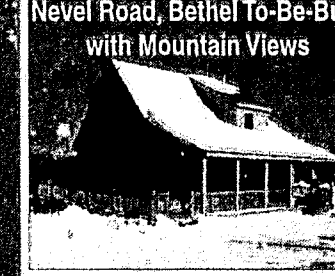
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Charming, never lived in 3BR country cape within minutes of Bethel Village amenities. Motivated seller is looking for offers and may consider owner finance. lease w/purchase option or other creative financing ideas. Show us something on paper! \$229,000

REDUCED!
Completely Renovated 3BR New Englander has plenty of charm within its spacious layout having maintained a combination of the home's original features that have been incorporated to fit the new. Large wraparound covered porch. \$99,900

REDUCED!
Spacious 3 BR ranch situated on 2.7 acres of beautiful, open lawn bordered by woods is located less than 10 minutes to the Sunday River Ski & Golf resorts and is moments away from Howard Pond. Motivated Seller may Owner Finance with large down payment. Inquire today! \$115,900

REDUCED!
Well Maintained 3BR Saltbox chalet situated on a nicely landscaped 2 1/2 acre lot in a peaceful country setting offers coveted privacy, 2 car garage, established perennials & lots of living space. Daylight basement. \$155,000

REDUCED!
Prime frontage on Route 2 for your next investment adventure!! Spacious 4 Bedroom house with huge attached garage with overhead storage and out buildings filled with years of antiques and collectibles awaiting the income potential! Sale includes furniture, genuine nickel plated stoves, paintings, periodicals, trinkets and so much more... too many items to list. A great opportunity for the entrepreneur or Ebayer! Don't Miss This at \$225,000!!

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NEW LISTING!


QUALITY WOODSTOCK HOME
This home has an amazing floor plan and quality construction. Open concept with field stone fireplace and full length, farmer's porch. Hardwood floors throughout with tiled bathrooms. Great location with easy access to skiing, golf, and lakes! \$269,900

NEW LISTING!


3 ACRE BUILDING LOT - LOW TAXES!
3 Acre building lot located just 3.5 miles from downtown Bethel, great location, low taxes! Electrically located at the road just across the street. Just minutes to Sunday River Ski Resort, Mt Abram, Western Maine Hiking Trails, Bethel Village, local shops and restaurants. \$40,000

WONDERFUL FARMHOUSE STYLE

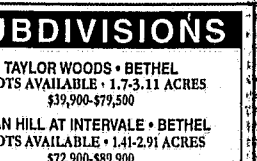

Nearly new maintenance free home in a quiet subdivision, close to town and all season activities. Farmhouse style with 2 farmer's porches, bamboo flooring, brick fireplace, built-ins, 9' ceilings. A must see. \$499,000

ANTIQUE HOME

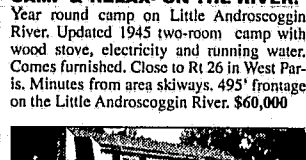

Located in a beautiful rural setting on the Intervale Road. Keeping room with reproduction Rumford fireplace, working beehive oven and featherboard roof. Slate sink, cherry cabinets, 5+ bedrooms, den, with beautiful wide pine floors throughout. First floor master suite. Alternative energy efficient heating system. Barn. Pool. All on 4.1 +/- pastoral acres. \$389,000

NEW LISTING!

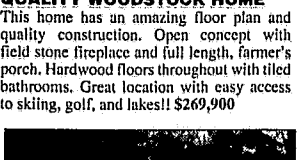

BETHEL VILLAGE MULTI-UNIT
Beautifully renovated, one of a kind Victorian within walking distance to Gould Academy and the Village of Bethel. Full of original architectural details including tin ceilings and original floor to ceiling windows. Income producing 2 bedroom apartments. \$449,000

SUBDIVISIONS


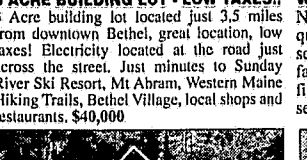
TAYLOR WOODS - BETHEL
9 LOTS AVAILABLE • 1.7-3.11 ACRES
\$39,900-\$79,500
SWAN HILL AT INTERVALE - BETHEL
6 LOTS AVAILABLE • 1.41-2.91 ACRES
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\$93,900-\$84,900
MEADOW VIEW ESTATES - NEWRY
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\$60,000-\$94,900
ELLINGWOOD MTN, NORTH RD - BETHEL
3 LOTS AVAILABLE • 1.61-2.88 ACRES
\$75,900-\$88,000
MAHOOSUC GLEN SUNDAY RIVER GOLF LOTS
2 LOTS AVAILABLE • 1.88-2.20 ACRES
\$199,000-\$227,900
POWDER RIDGE - NEWRY
3 LOTS AVAILABLE • 1.3-3.5 ACRES
\$84,900-\$185,000
HARBOR HILL - WOODSTOCK
3 LOTS AVAILABLE • 3.13-4.0 ACRES
\$28,900-\$31,000
QUEEN'S LANDING - MASON TOWNSHIP
2 LOTS AVAILABLE • 5.80 ACRES EACH
\$40,000 EACH
WHEELER'S ACRES - BETHEL
1 LOT AVAILABLE • 5 ACRES
\$60,000
PARADISE PINES - BETHEL
7 LOTS AVAILABLE • \$59,900 EACH
CUSTOM HOMES STARTING @ \$234,500

BOAT & SKI !!


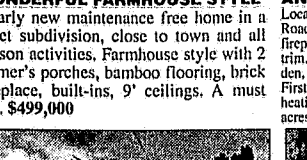
This four season home is located on beautiful North Pond and has ski resort views. Boat under bridges for access to North and South Ponds. Dock included. Completely renovated, new second floor bath, new sun porch and hardwood floors. \$299,900

WEST PARIS COTTAGE


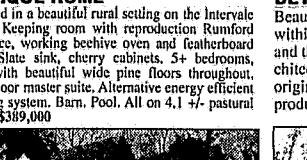
Conveniently located 3 bedroom home with easy access to route 26. Large back yard, 2 decks, open floorplan, expansion potential in unfinished second floor. \$125,000

COMFY CHALET


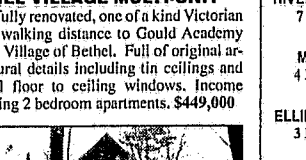
Fully furnished log sided home located in a nice rural subdivision just a short distance from the Village and all four season activities. Three bedrooms, 2 baths, unfinished daylight basement. SELLER IS OFFERING A \$2000 CREDIT TOWARDS CLOSING COSTS !! \$215,000

PERFECT VILLAGE LOCATION


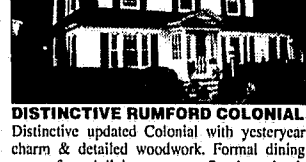
Located in the center of Bethel, this home is convenient to all village amenities. Attached two story barn, beautiful floors. Town water and sewer. \$225,000

NEWRY CONTEMPORARY


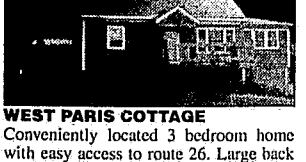
Location! Location! Location! This contemporary palace sits on the edge of South Ridge base area just minutes from the slopes. Quiet neighborhood of beautiful homes at the hub of Sunday River! Amenities include: screen porch, wood stove, Jacuzzi...\$439,900

TAYLOR WOODS-RIVER ACCESS


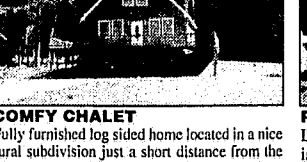
Newly built log sided home located at Taylor Woods. Stone fireplace, hardwood floors, spacious family room, porch. Deeded access to Androscoggin River. \$349,000

BEAR RIVER CAMP


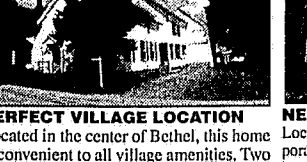
This is a sportsman's dream! 495' on Bear River. 3 BR camp right off ITS snowmobile trail near Grafton Notch. 1.5+/- acres of seclusion within minutes of Sunday River Skiway. Appalachian trail nearby, so you can hike, ski, snowmobile, fish or enjoy nature. \$112,000

FARMHOUSE IN WEST BETHEL


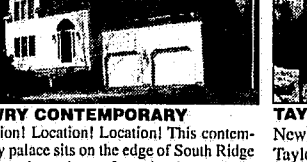
Nicely maintained home with a spacious lawn, located just a short distance from the Village. Beautiful wide pine floors, 2 car attached garage & separate shed. New septic. Lot included a mobile home previously with its own septic. Many possibilities \$159,000

NEWRY NEW ENGLANDER


Motivated Seller! Antique 3 bedroom home with frontage on the Bear River. Spacious kitchen with pantry. New storm windows. An affordable and rare opportunity. Being offered furnished. \$129,900

BETHEL VILLAGE NEW ENGLANDER


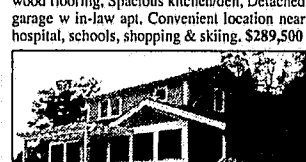
Four bedroom house with nice backyard and attached barn. Located in town on quiet one-way street. Screened porch, two bedrooms each floor, two full baths, perfect for two families. Many updates completed. \$225,000

LARGE SKI HOUSE WITH APARTMENT


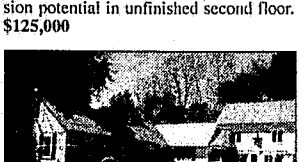
Just a short (5 min) walk to South Ridge base, this 7 BR home has a 3 BR lock-out apt and is being sold fully furnished/turn-key. Recent upgrades include: hardwood fls, deck, paved driveway and stone patio. Rental history \$20K '07 season. \$499,000

BETHEL VILLAGE CAPE

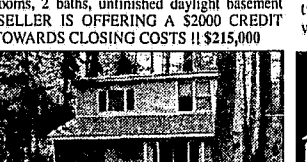

Attractive Village home with 2+ bedrooms with opportunity for expansion located within walking distance of town and all village amenities. Large fireplace with local rocks (quartz). Large deck-off the back overlooking the mountains. 2 car attached garage. \$299,000

HANDY MAN SPECIAL


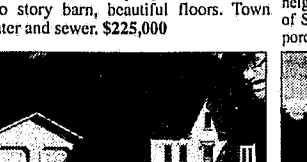
Partially finished chalet, has well and septic, framing and some interior work done. Needs finish work, nice location with babbling brook close to Bethel and Sunday River. \$89,000

BEAUTIFULLY MAINTAINED HOME


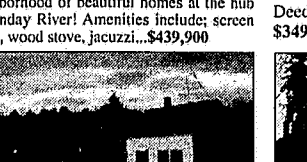
Well maintained home conveniently located to Bethel, Sunday River and area amenities. Three bedrooms, beautiful hardwood floors, fireplace, sun room, screened-in porch, in-ground pool, bar or family room, beautifully landscaped grounds w/irrigation system. \$219,900

HISTORIC VICTORIAN FARMHOUSE


Farmhouse on 10+/- Acres features 8 bedrooms, 5.5 baths, a huge attached barn, deck, 2 farm pond and beautiful perennial gardens. Currently operating as a B&B - many possibilities. Add'l land available. \$589,000

CASABLANCA


Operate your Theater business in the beautiful ski & golf community of Bethel. Well established movie theater & dominant position in geographic market. Additional sq.ft. in bldg with prime business exposure to capitalize on. \$1,200,000

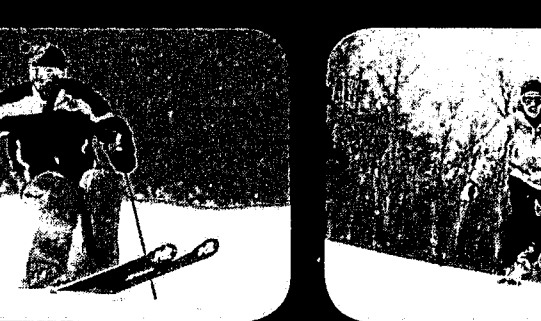
CONDOS


LOCKE MOUNTAIN Q4 4 bed/4 bath, fireplace, furnished, views, slopeside \$820,000
LAKE CHRISTOPHER 2 bed/1 bath, waterfront, walk out to the water \$179,000
EDEN RIDGE 4C 2 bed/2 bath, fireplace, close to village, views \$167,000
MERRILL BROOK 3C 1 bed/1 bath, fireplace, panoramic ski views, slopeside \$164,000
CASCADES C4 1 bed/1 bath, recently renovated, furnished, slopeside \$145,000
SUNRISE C105 1 bed/1 bath, furnished, top floor, slopeside, rental ready \$134,500
BROOKSIDE II #A315 1 bed/1 bath, furnished, and unit slopeside \$130,000
FALL LINE NORTH 107 1 bed/1 bath, furnished, slopeside, rental ready \$129,900
RIVERBEND #25 1 bed/1 bath, furnished, sunny and unit, free shuttle access PENDING
RIVERBEND 21 1 bed/1 bath, furnished, great rental history, free shuttle access \$109,900
CASCADES B2 1 room/1 bath, and unit studio, sleeps 4, furnished, slopeside, ski in/out \$89,000
THE CAMERON HOUSE 1-3 bed/1-2 bath units, common area, walk to village amenities \$85,000+

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HOMES



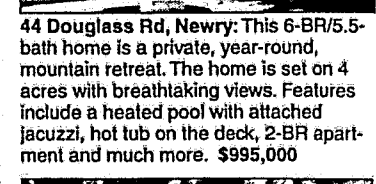
44 Douglass Rd, Newry: This 6-BR/5.5-bath home is a private, year-round, mountain retreat. The home is set on 4 acres with breathtaking views. Features include a heated pool with attached jacuzzi, hot tub on the deck, 2-BR apartment and much more. \$995,000



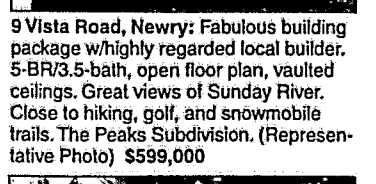
9 Vista Road, Newry: Fabulous building package w/highly regarded local builder. 5-BR/3.5-bath, open floor plan, vaulted ceilings. Great views of Sunday River. Close to hiking, golf, and snowmobile trails. The Peaks Subdivision. (Representative Photo) \$599,000



274 Douglass Rd, Newry: Spectacular custom-built log home in the Powder Ridge neighborhood, with panoramic views of Sunday River's slopes. Features include 2 fireplaces, master suite, hot tub, deck, finished daylight basement, and attached 3-car garage. \$998,000



44 Merriman Drive, Bethel: Nestled among towering pines with spectacular village and mountain views, this architectural gem offers privacy, 4 BRs and 2.5 baths - within 10 minutes from Sunday River. The property's guest cabin has been featured in Down East magazine. \$450,000



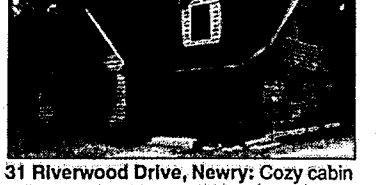
31 Riverwood Drive, Newry: Cozy cabin in the woods with over 3504+ feet of Bear River frontage and beautiful views! 3-BR/2-bath has fully equipped kitchen with tiled floors, towering stone fireplace, cathedral ceilings, loft area, porch, deck and gazebo. \$419,900



6 Dumont Circle, Bethel: Lovely well-kept 4-BR home with farmer's porch, open concept living area, and a den with built-ins and fireplace. Beautifully landscaped and in a quiet neighborhood close to town and schools. \$364,500



Homes at Bear River: Well-built homes on 4 acres with 260+ feet of private frontage on the Bear River, less than 10 minutes from Grafton Notch State Park and Sunday River. \$389,000 and \$389,000. Other building packages available starting at \$249,000.

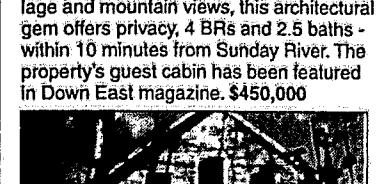


The Pines at Sunday River: 4-season mountain living! Bi-level town homes in a natural wooded setting with frontage and access to the Sunday River. Attention to detail with upgrades available. Just a mile from South Ridge Lodge. Prices start at \$300,000.

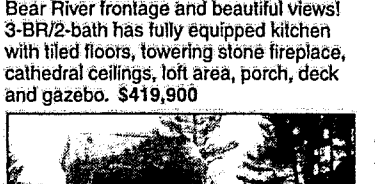


7 Coombs Village Rd, Newry: Classic 3-BR New Englander built in 1996 offers charming amenities and proximity to Sunday River. Wood floors, high ceilings, storage space. This priced-to-sell home also has a strong rental history. \$249,000

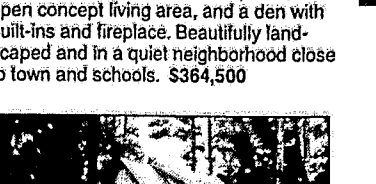
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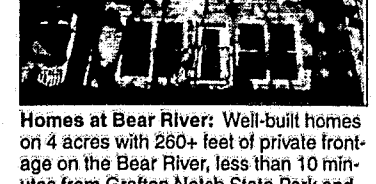
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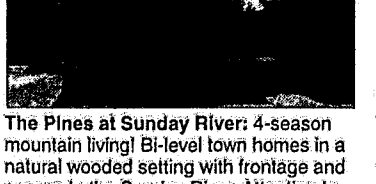
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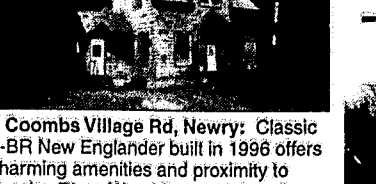
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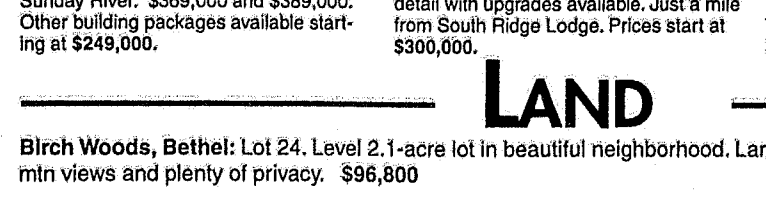


SOUTH RIDGE
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WHITE CAP
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HOTEL OWNERSHIP



The Grand Summit and Jordan Grand Resort Hotels offer all the amenities of a full-service hotel and the convenience of a slopeside location. Units range from studios to penthouses. Prices start at \$10,000 for a studio and \$44,900 for a penthouse.

Visit www.sundayriver.com/realestate to view all current listings.

LAND

Birch Woods, Bethel: Lot 24. Level 2.1-acre lot in beautiful neighborhood. Large building envelope w/potential mtn views and plenty of privacy. \$96,800

Moody Mtn. Rd, Woodstock: 14.8-acre lot with westerly views and privacy. Gently sloping with mix of hardwoods & evergreens. Perfect spot for dream home. \$99,000

15 Red Farm Village, Newry: Level lot in popular neighborhood, with views of White Heat and minutes from slopes. \$113,000

Mahoosuc Glen, Lot 1: One of the most spectacular lots remaining, directly on the Sunday River Golf Club - views of the 18th hole. \$225,000

Mahoosuc Glen, Lot 37: Home site near hole 7 with sweeping views. Driveway and site work completed, and a fully-approved house design. \$199,900

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Obituaries

MICHAEL J. LEVESQUE

Michael J. Levesque, 47, of Bethel, passed away Monday, Sept. 15, 2008, after battling a long illness with cancer.

He was born on Nov. 4, 1960, in Lewiston. He enjoyed sports and mining, woodworking and jewelry making, and loved all things in life.

He will be missed by his friends and family and will be sadly missed by his ex-girlfriend, Saleta, and very good friend for more than 30 years, and her daughter, Devinne Miller and husband Bryan Miller.

He is survived by his parents, Joe and Rita Levesque of West Paris; a brother, Danny Levesque and his wife Marty and niece Miranda of Norway; a sister, Tina Hayes and husband Scott; two nephews, Orin and Kaleb of Greenwood; and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

Thank you to those who cared for him in time of need. He will be missed by all who knew him. Special thanks to Aunt Millie, Aunt Georgie and Uncle Nelson for all they did.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Sept. 23, at St. Peter's Cemetery, Lewiston. Those wishing to make a donation in memory of Michael, please send to Joe and Rita Levesque, 18 Morse Hill Road, West Paris, ME 04289. Donations may also be made to the Hope Lodge, 7 Oak Street, Worcester, MA 01609.



LUCILLE E. ROBBINS

Lucille Evelyn Robbins, 88, of Woodstock, died Friday, Sept. 19, 2008 at her residence. She was born in Rumford on Feb. 5, 1920, the daughter of Charles L. and Florence E. (Lovejoy) Mills and was educated in Rumford schools.

Lucille was the first female meat cutter in Maine, cutting meat for over 30 years, the last 23 years with Willie Hathaway.

She married Raymond Robbins in 1963, he died in 1980.

She had been a member of Franklin Grange 124 of Bryant Pond and had served in many offices over the years, a member of the Oxford Pomona Grange 2 as well as the State and National Grange.

She is survived by three sons, Richard McInnis of Rumford, Randy Robbins of Auburn and Dale Robbins of California; two daughters, Mary-Jane Newell of Oxford and Patricia Malm of Bryant Pond; one brother, Charles L. Mills of California; one sister, Jean Saunders of South Paris; 16 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by one daughter, Sally Ann Lizotte; and two grandsons, Brent Lizotte and Zachary Newell.

Funeral services were held at the Andrews Funeral Home, 64 Andrews Road, Bryant Pond on Monday, Sept. 22 with Pastor Bruce Tynor of

floiting. Burial was in the Cushman Cemetery.

Memorials in her memory are suggested to Androscoggin Home Health Hospice, 127 Potte Road, Oxford, ME 04270.

Online condolences may be left for the family at www.andrewsgreenleaf.com.

ROBERT J. TUCCI

Robert Joseph Tucci, 56, of Bryant Pond, died suddenly at his home by the lake in Bryant Pond on Friday, Sept. 19, 2008.

He was born in Waltham, Mass., on Jan. 18, 1952, the son of Ralph and Helvi (Heikinen) Tucci, attended Massachusetts schools, graduated from Littleton High School in Littleton, Mass., Class of 1970, received a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Lowell in nuclear engineering and a Master's and Ph.D. in nuclear physics at the University of Virginia, Charlottesville.

He had been employed as a nuclear physicist at the Portsmouth Naval shipyard in Kittery for 25 years, retiring in 2008 due to ill health.

Robert loved to fish, making his own fly rods as well as tying his own flies, and loved the woods and mountains of Maine.

He was the beloved father of Katherine Rose Tucci of Waterboro; beloved brother of Sandra Pacy and her husband Ron of Bridgewater, Mass.; beloved uncle of Alyssa Pacy of Cambridge, Mass.; and beloved nephew of Laura Heikinen; as well as numerous cousins and friends.

Graveside services were held at the Finnish Cemetery, West Paris on Wednesday, Sept. 24, with the Rev. Dallas Henry officiating. The family suggests those who wish may make memorial donations in his memory to the Androscoggin Visiting Nurses Association, PO Box 819, Lewiston, ME 04243.

Online condolences may be left for the family at www.andrewsgreenleaf.com.

In our back yard:

Yellow is the way to go

It's that time of year again, when the air turns crisp, the pencils get sharp and the kids get on the big yellow bus. While most of us in Maine don't have much choice but to drive our cars to work, kids participate in one of our biggest and most beneficial environmental programs — mass transit.

These days, yellow is the green way to go. Every one of those eager young minds on a bus means one less parent's car on the road, and less air pollution from those cars as a result.

School buses are also the safest mode of travel for kids. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, students are nearly eight times safer riding to school on a bus than in a car.

On a per-passenger basis, the big yellow school bus beats the Toyota Prius on fuel economy, greenhouse gas emissions and safety.

Despite their environmental and safety benefits, school buses, like all diesel vehicles, emit pollution that is a health concern.

Scientific studies show that breathing particles from diesel exhaust can lead to lung damage and respiratory problems and can aggravate asthma, a leading cause of school absenteeism.

Luckily for our kids, all new buses are engineered to meet new, cleaner emission requirements and Maine school districts are taking steps to reduce air pollution from existing bus fleets.

The simplest step that many school districts have already taken is to establish guidelines that prevent buses from idling unnecessarily in schoolyards. They require buses to be turned off and not restarted until departure from loading zones.

The Maine Department of Environmental Protection is working with a number of schools to educate communities through "Clean Air Zone" no-idling campaigns. Student workshops this fall in Bangor and Kittery will provide resources to help students implement educational campaigns to encourage drivers not to idle their vehicles unnecessarily.

Many school districts have upgraded bus exhaust systems and other parts of the engine that reduce emissions. With a grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the Maine DEP has helped retrofit over 400 school buses with special emission control systems.

In a number of districts, school officials are using new software to reduce the length of bus routes and minimize routes to reduce the miles traveled. SAD27 in Fort Kent is implementing a new recommendation for school bus drivers by eliminating left-hand turns from their route to reduce fuel costs.

This strategy piloted last year by UPS saved three million gallons of gas for that company by reducing idling while waiting to turn.

As the leaves turn orange and red and new shoes grow muddy and scuffed, you can rest assured that your young ones are traveling to and from school in the safest manner possible and that, with a little effort those big yellow buses are the greenest way to go.

Contact the Maine Department of Environmental Protection at 287-2437 for more information on implementing one or all of these pollution-reducing measures, including sample no-idling guidelines or how to create your own local Clean Air Zone campaign.

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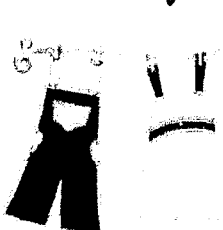
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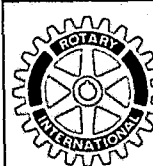
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